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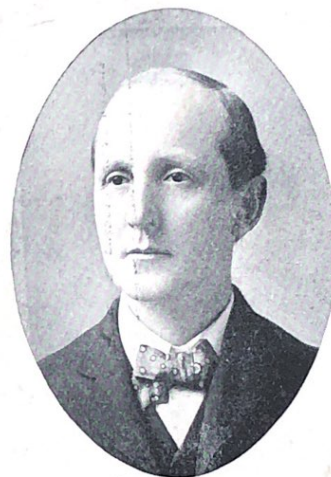
1875—1904.

On Friday, January 7, the Pinckneyville DEMOCRAT rounded out an existence of twenty-eight years. In that long period of time the paper has made one thousand four hundred and fifty-six weekly visits to the homes of its readers. It is to commemorate this long and faithful service to the public that this special anniversary edition of the DEMOCRAT is placed in the hands of its readers. Over a quarter of a century of continuous service is a record of which any individual or institution can well be proud. During the period of the paper's life many changes have taken place in the town in which it has always been published. Men

County Banner. It was run as an independent paper until 1870 when E. H. Lement purchased Van Sycle's interest and made the paper a republican sheet. Thanks to the prevalence of Democratic principles the paper only remained republican in politics one year. In 1871 Messrs. W. K. Murphy and John Boyd became the editors and the paper was changed to a rock-ribbed Democratic organ. Messrs. Murphy and Boyd tired of their editorial labors after a time and the paper and plant was sold to Kimball & Taylor, of Belleville, who moved the paper to Du Quoin. Pinckneyville had no paper from that time until 1875,



J. J. Penny



Roy Alden

Former Editors of The Democrat.

have rounded out their lives and been gathered to their fathers. Others have risen to take their places. The paper has followed these events and chronicled them faithfully as they occurred. Its files for the twenty-eight years of its existence are a complete history in detail of the lives of its readers. Their goings and comings have been noted, and the memories of those who have passed over to the other shore have been preserved in its pages.

The editor is indebted to Attorney John Boyd for much interesting history of the early struggles of the paper. In 1869 John A. Wall and D. B. Van Sycle started a paper in Pinckneyville called the Perry

when the proprietors of the Du Quoin Tribune sold a printing plant to John A. Wall, he of the old Banner. The paper then begun was the nucleus of the present DEMOCRAT. For a time it did not prosper, and Wall was forced to call upon some of the more public spirited citizens for assistance to keep the paper alive. The following men rallied to the support of the paper and endorsed Wall's notes for the payment of the indebtedness on the plant: W. K. Murphy, John Boyd, E. B. Rushing, C. H. Roe, W. S. D. Smith and Wm. McNeal. Wall not being able at the expiration of the time for which the notes were drawn to meet the obligations, the sureties paid off the notes and took

charge of the paper. Wall, however, was continued as editor. The paper was called the Independent until 1878, When Rev. E. H. Willoughby succeeded Wall in the editorial chair and the paper was changed again to a democratic sheet, and the name was changed to THE PINCKNEYVILLE DEMOCRAT. E. H. Willoughby was succeeded by J. J. Sargent and T. K. Willoughby. Sargent shortly afterward became sole editor. Sargent continued as editor until 1881, when the plant was sold by the syndicate to W. A. Penny. J. J. Penny was taken in as a partner, and in November became the sole owner. Previous to passing into the hands of the Pennys, the paper had been suspended for several weeks, but preparations were being made by Sargent to resume publication when the syndicate sold the plant to the Pennys.

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but it was more through a desire to foster the paper for the general good of the community than with any idea of deriving personal benefit. Every bit of business brought to the newspaper office, or secured by the publisher after the most earnest and persistent solicitation, was excused by the remark that it was done to help the printer. That state of affairs has, however, changed with the times. The newspaper publisher is no longer compelled to urge public duty as an inducement to get business men to patronize his columns. Business men for the most part now seek the columns of the newspapers as the best and quickest way to ingratiate themselves into the good graces of the people from whom they expect to draw their support. Occasionally yet the advertising solicitor will hear that "I am so well known all over the country that I don't need to advertise." The business men who are thus deluding themselves are happily



The Home of The Democrat.

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From the fact that the paper had been suspended for some weeks when Mr. Penny took charge, it can be inferred that the DEMOCRAT has not always enjoyed the prosperity that has characterized the later years of its life. At that time the field of a country paper was a great deal more limited than it is today. The people had not yet recognized the true value of a good newspaper to any community. Nor had the business men at that time become acquainted with the value of the advertising columns of a newspaper. It is true that some advertised, and liberally,

few and growing fewer each day as the sun of progress moves upward toward the zenith. The live, up-to-now men are getting the business, and the man who does not believe in advertising is a relic of the glacial period, and has carried much of the frost of his age into the sunny progressiveness of the twentieth century.

On January 1, 1892, Mr. Penny sold the DEMOCRAT to Roy Alden. Mr. Alden came here from Texarkana, Arkansas, to take charge of the paper. He found it an 8-column folio, that is a paper of four pages, eight columns to the page. Mr. Alden was an energetic young man, and immediately began to improve the paper. The folio soon became too small and the paper was enlarged to an eight page paper. When he took charge of the office the paper was being printed on a Washington hand press. Many of the older residents have doubtless many times seen

the faithful printer of that day laboriously grinding off the week's edition on that same old Washington hand press. To those who have seen the operation of printing a newspaper on a hand press it will not be necessary to say that the power of the press in those days was considerably more than a figure of speech. But Mr. Alden was thoroughly imbued with the spirit of progress. The old and faithful press was relegated to the scrap pile and a modern cylinder press installed. With the old hand press it was possible with extraordinary labor to print 250 papers an hour; with the cylinder press twelve hundred papers an hour is a moderate speed. Since that time the DEMOCRAT has continued to keep pace with the improvements in newspaper work as far as they apply to the country newspaper.

The DEMOCRAT continued an eight page weekly paper until September 1902, when it was changed to

So far, under the present management, the DEMOCRAT has prospered to an extent beyond all expectations. The spirit of progress that has followed the paper through all its changes of owners was also characteristic of the last change of proprietors. The office has been greatly improved in every way. Hundreds of pounds of old type and material, much of which had seen continuous service since the paper was established, was dumped into the "hell box" and new type and material was purchased to take its place. These improvements were made the first week, before the new owner had time to ascertain whether the business justified the outlay. The result has justified the confidence felt that the people of Pinckneyville would appreciate efforts to give them the very best possible service in the newspaper and printing line that modern improvements could afford. The patronage of the paper in all its departments has steadily



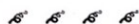
One of the Office Fixtures.

a four page paper issued twice a week. The twice-a-week was continued until May 1, 1903, when the paper passed into the hands of the present publisher, and it was changed again to an eight page weekly.

On May 1, 1903, when the present publisher took charge of the plant it was located in the Hoffman building, on the southeast corner of the square. The building was entirely too small and was unsuited in other respects for the accommodation of a large printing business. Negotiations were opened with various parties at once for the purpose of securing larger and more suitable quarters. Wm. Brey, the tailor, finally proposed to erect a new building to house the paper. His offer was accepted, and the building was constructed and arranged especially for a modern printing office. The DEMOCRAT is now located on South Walnut street in one of the largest and best arranged printing offices in Southern Illinois.

and surely increased. In the first issue printed after the present owner assumed charge of the paper there appeared the advertisements of eleven local business people. In the fourth issue thereafter TWENTY-SIX of our business people had advertisements in its columns. In our Christmas issue of December 18, 1903, we printed more ADVERTISING FROM PINCKNEYVILLE MERCHANTS than ever before appeared in a regular issue of a Pinckneyville newspaper. This success has been gratifying to the publisher and has been an incentive to even greater efforts. A comparison of the DEMOCRAT with any other country newspaper will soon prove our contention that it is the best paper from every point of view that is being published in southern Illinois in the city the size of Pinckneyville. Many of the papers of the larger cities in this part of the state fall far below the standard of the DEMOCRAT.

Equipment and Personnel of the Office.



The equipment of the office consists of a Babcock six column quarto cylinder press, 13x19 Universal job press, 7x11 Pearl job press, 18-inch paper cutter. The motive power is furnished by a two-horse-power gasoline engine. The equipment of type is not surpassed by any office in this part of the state.

Four people are employed continuously in the office and this number is often increased to six. Joseph A. Brey is the foreman. He has been a faithful employee of the paper for several years. Miss Marie Eaton is the assistant local editor and assists in the office. Miss Katherine Rodman is the latest addition to the DEMOCRAT'S staff of faithful and valued employees. T. H. Bevier, of Olean, New York, and Leon E. Derr,

trated. And while it is true that the paper is ready to expose wrong wherever found, it does not at any time presume to usurp the functions of the properly constituted authorities or private citizens in endeavoring to regulate the affairs of the city.

Of the DEMOCRAT'S candid and fearless advocacy of the principles of the democratic party nothing need be said. Its editorial columns tell their own story. However, while the paper can always be depended upon to raise the standard of democracy on every occasion, in discussing political questions it is the settled policy of the editor to pay all due deference to the honesty of conviction and purpose of his political opponents. We have no hesitancy in attacking a



A Glimpse of the Work Room.

of Jerseyville, Illinois, are the other employees. Mr. Brey is a member of the Mt. Vernon local of the International Typographical Union; Mr. Bevier is a member of the Des Moines, Iowa, local of the I. T. U.

Of the policy of the DEMOCRAT it is necessary to say but very little. Its record stands for itself, and the flattering support which the paper has been accorded in recent years is the very best testimonial of endorsement which its policy has met at the hands of the people.

It is ready to foster any worthy enterprise for the common good. Its columns are always open to its readers for fair and unprejudiced discussion of live questions. In other words, we try to make the DEMOCRAT a paper of the people and for the people.

In printing the news the DEMOCRAT tries to be faithful and impartial. It is always ready to lift its voice against wrongs, no matter by whom perpe-

man's political convictions, but at no time will the editor stoop to personal disparagement of his political opponents.

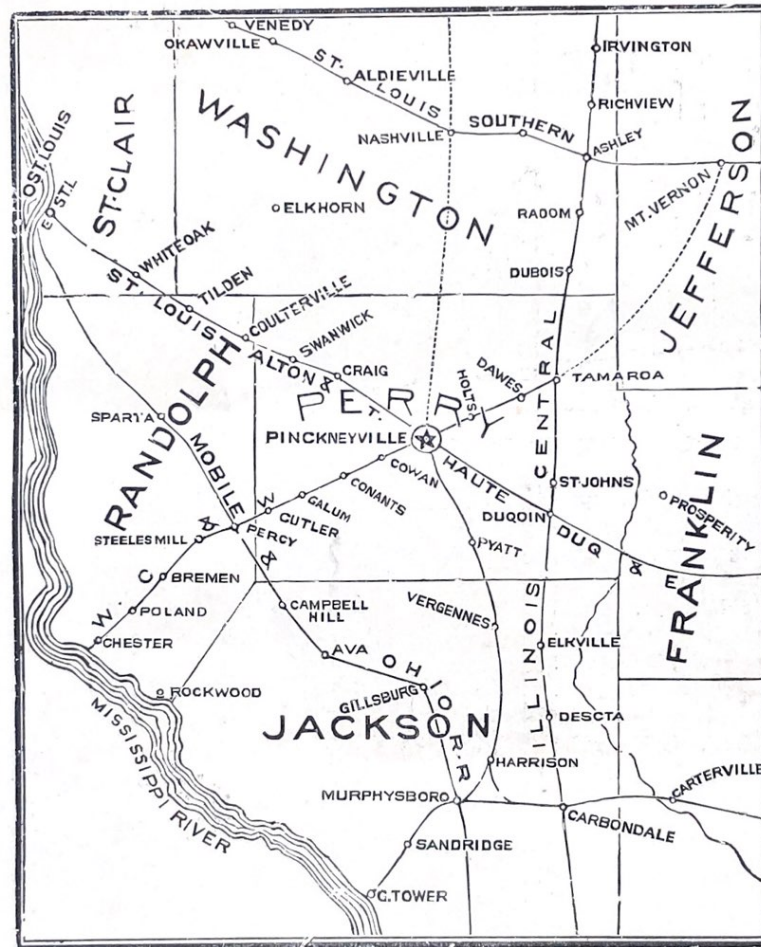


Our Job Department.

In addition to publishing an up-to-date newspaper the DEMOCRAT office is the leader in Perry county for fine job printing. We turn out a large amount of high grade work and our prices are as low as is consistent with safe business methods. This book is a sample of what our job department can do in the way of neat and modern printing. If you are in the market for fancy catalogues, letter heads or envelopes that are a little better than the kind you have been used to getting, let us know and we can soon fit you out.

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One of the most important business institutions in town is the Pinckneyville Building and Loan Association. The association is of great advantage to



people of moderate means who desire to own their own homes. The association opened a new series of stock less than a year ago. Over one thousand shares have been sold. The association is destined to play an important part in our future building operations. The officers of the association are: W. S. Wilson, president; H. E. Hincke, vice-president; J. G. Taffee, secretary; Philip A. Gruner, treasurer. The following prominent business men compose the board of directors: H. R. Schulze, Wm. Brey, John E. Funk, J. Ben Bischof, E. K. Kane, W. G. Blair, Joseph Crawford, Philip A. Gruner and H. E. Hincke.

Our Schools and Churches.



PINCKNEYVILLE'S public schools have long been a source of pride to her citizens. The cut of the fine school building is shown on this page. At present about 600 pupils are enrolled. There is a



Pinckneyville Public School.

corps of twelve teachers and a superintendent. They are: Robert Templeton, superintendent; Mary Anderson, first primary; Mabel Turner, second primary; Gertrude Milligan, second grade; Ida Campbell, second grade; Josie Rieger, third grade; Emma L. Beck, third grade; Edna Dugger, fourth grade; Eunice Malan, fifth grade; Lydia Wilson, sixth grade; Anna J. Kirwan, seventh grade; John Bibby, eighth grade; Harry Wilson, high school.



The Churches.

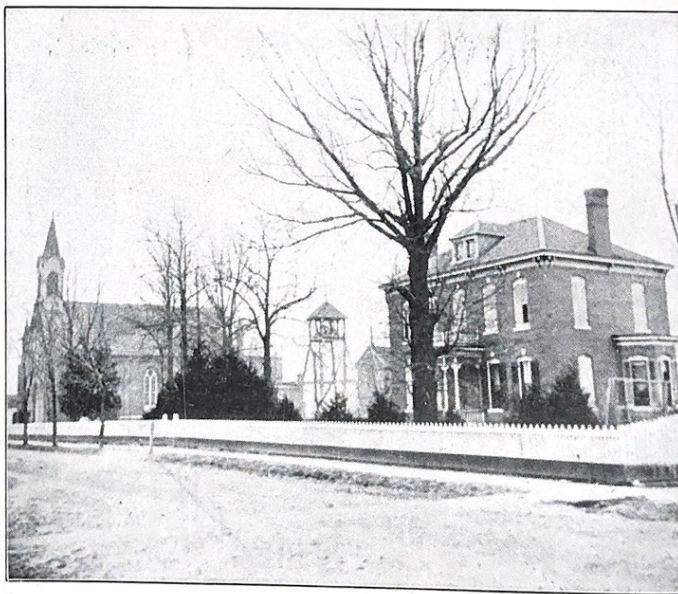
Pinckneyville has six churches. They are the Catholic, Baptist, Methodist, United Presbyterian, Lutheran and Evangelical Lutheran. All of the organizations have large and comfortable houses of worship, and all but the Evangelical Lutheran have parsonages for the residence of their pastors. Space will not permit more than the briefest mention of the churches in a historical way.

The Baptist church was organized on July 30, 1865, with a membership of nine. The first pastor

was the Rev. Pendleton W. Jones. The church prospered from the beginning, and now has a membership of 320. The present pastor is Rev. J. B. Webb.

The Evangelical Lutheran was organized about twenty-four years ago. This congregation was originally a part of the St. Paul's church, but left that church and formed a separate organization in 1880. Rev. Binger of Steeleville was the first pastor. The present church building was erected in 1886. The church now has a membership of about fifty. Rev. G. Erdmann is the present pastor. He formerly had charge of the Conant church, and came to this church about a year ago.

St. Bruno's Catholic church was an outgrowth of the DuQuoin church. It was organized in 1871. Prior to that date all of the Catholics in Perry county worshipped at DuQuoin. In the year named the congregation was split up into three churches. The two new ones being the Pinckneyville church and the



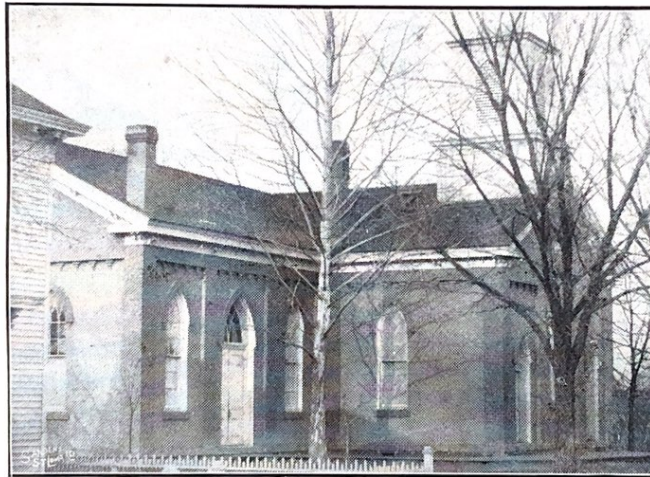
St. Bruno Catholic Church.

one at Todd's Mill. Rev. Father Klocke was the first pastor of this parish. Rev. Father Schneider, the present pastor has had charge of the flock for the past twenty years. He is popular with all our people.

*Methodist Episcopal Church.*

The Methodist church in this city was the outgrowth of a society organized here in 1837, by the Rev. James Dickens. The first meetings were held at the home of Dr. H. B. Jones and afterward in the court house. The first church was built in 1857. Twenty-five years later a new and larger house of worship was erected. The church at present has a large membership and is in a flourishing condition. Rev. John H. Jones is the present pastor.

St. Paul's Lutheran church was organized in 1870. Their church building was erected the same year. The first minister to hold services was the Rev. George Goeringer. He was succeeded by Rev. John Maul, who, how-

*Evangelical Lutheran Church**First Baptist Church.**St. Paul's Evangelical Church.*

ever, only preached for the congregation for a short time. Rev. Albert Zeller was the next pastor and under his care the church was placed on a more substantial foundation that it had been before, and its progress was rapid. The present pastor is the Rev. Daniel Buchmueller.

The Presbyterian Church was organized January 1, 1900, with a charter membership of 74. It was through the efforts of Rev. C. M. Ritchey, who was the first pastor, that this church was organized. It is now very prosperous, with a good membership. Rev. F. B. Murch is the present pastor.

*United Presbyterian Church.*

First National Bank of Pinckneyville.



AN institution to which any city could point with pride is the First National Bank. This bank is the youngest in the county, but notwithstanding that fact it has built up an enviable business. Its business is constantly growing, too. Their statements, published from time to time, show a steady increase in the volume of the bank's business. Its success has been due in a large measure to the energy and ability of its officers.

The first National began business on December 10, 1891, in the handsome new building shown on this page. It started with a capital of \$50,000. It carries deposits to the amount of \$281,059.94. Its circulation of National bank currency is \$50,000.

The bank enjoys the confidence of the public as a safe and conservative financial institution, and this fact accounts for the rapid growth of its business.

The bank is housed in one of the handsomest bank buildings to be found anywhere. The lower floor was designed especially for a banking room. The floor is tiled, and a massive fire and burglar proof vault occupies the north-west corner of the first floor. The woodwork and furniture are of antique oak, and give a very rich effect to the interior.

The officers and directors of the First National are composed of the representative citizens of the town. W. S. Wilson, the president, is the guiding spirit of the enterprise. Henry Driemeyer is the vice-president and Allen Ozburn the cashier. Cashier Ozburn has a very able assistant in the person of George Gieser. The board of directors is composed of the following well-known men: H. R. Forman, E. R. Hincke, Chas. Geumalley, H. E. Hincke, P. Gruner, H. P. Huntsinger, Henry Driemeyer, W. L. McCandless, L. A. Browning, F. L. Ulrich, W. S. Wilson and H. R. Schulze.

The bank has adopted a broad and liberal business policy toward its patrons and if there is any possible way, within the bounds of safe banking, to accommodate a patron the First National is always ready to do so. Its officers and directors are all men who not only wish the bank to prosper for their own

personal profit, but men who realize that a prosperous institution reflects credit on the town, and is of much service to all the people. All of the stockholders are men who are also prominent in other lines of business wherein they have achieved success, and their connection with the First National is proof enough that the bank will always continue to enjoy the large measure of success which it is now enjoying.

The undoubted personal integrity and financial standing of the individuals who compose the staff of officers and the board of directors of the first National is sufficient guarantee of its strength and solidity. All of the local men who are connected with the institution have long been prominent in the business

affairs of the city. Charles Geumalley has been in the jewelry business as far back as the oldest inhabitant can remember. He made a success of his business and the fact that his name is connected with the bank imparts a feeling of confidence in its stability. W. S. Wilson, the president, is one of the best known capitalists and business men in Southern Illinois. For many years he was general superintendent of the St. Louis, Alton & Terre Haute railroad. He severed his connection with the railroad a few years ago and since that time has been engaged actively in various business enterprises. Mr. Wilson's energy and progressiveness in a business way has been of immense advantage to this city.



He has been instrumental in developing the coal industry here and is always ready to invest his money in any enterprise that would be of advantage to the city. Allen Ozburn, the cashier, is another of the town's progressive citizens. He is the right man in the right place. Drs. McCandless and Huntsinger are two of the pioneer physicians of this part of the country, and besides that have achieved success in business affairs outside the practice of their profession. Henry Driemeyer, the vice-president, has long been prominently identified with the business interests of this city and vicinity. For many years he was in the furniture business. All of the others connected with the bank have long been prominent here,

History of the Pinckneyville Milling Company.

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IT would be perfectly natural that a town situated in the midst of the rich wheat belt should number among its business enterprises a flouring mill. The manufacture of flour is one of Egypt's chief industries, and the city of Pinckneyville contributes her share toward swelling the bulk of the annual production of flour in Southern Illinois.

The city of Pinckneyville points with pride to our fine milling industry. It is one of the oldest and most successful enterprises in town. It had a modest beginning, but able management in all of its departments has made it one of the largest institutions in town. The mill manufactures the best roller process flour and has a capacity of five hundred barrels every twenty-four hours. The DEMOCRAT is in-

March, 1890, with building rebuilt and enlarged, fully equipped with entirely new and modern machinery, the wheels began to go round, and have continued to do so with regularity and precision to the present time. H. E. Hincke has been president, and W. K. Murphy treasurer from the beginning. In 1892 the capital was increased to \$40,000, Mr. John Ismert coming into the company. In the same year H. W. Brower became chief engineer and master-mechanic and R. M. Harry traveling salesman. These gentlemen, together with W. S. D. Smith, who took charge in the office January 1, 1891, and Mr. Henry Zacher, miller, who has been connected with the work from the first, are still in their respective places.

The old "O. K. Mills" property was purchased



Mill and Elevator of the Pinckneyville Milling Company.

debted to the kindness of W. S. D. Smith, who has charge of the office of the mill, for the following history of the Pinckneyville Milling Co.

About the time Pinckneyville became a railroad town a substantial brick building with large brick smokestack was erected near the depot to be used as a flouring mill.

After several years of moderate success under the old system of buhr-stone milling, the parties owning the property offered it for sale. The "Pinckneyville Milling Company" was promptly organized and incorporated December 12, 1889, with a capital stock of \$25,000, subscribed by W. K. Murphy, G. W. Wall, G. R. Hincke, H. E. Hincke, P. Gruner & Sons, Henry Driemeyer, Chas. Guemalley, J. B. Bishof, Frederick Mueller and Joseph Ismert, the last-named being the active manager, and on the 22d day of

and converted into a cooperage plant, with Thos. J. States as superintendent. This building was destroyed by fire June 1, 1901, but its place has been supplied by a new and up-to-date cooperage works on the same site.

Besides the storage capacity of 100,000 bushels of wheat here the company maintains an elevator at Vergennes and a small grain house at Groves. Their products find ready markets in the southern states, where their leading brands, "Pelican," "Swan Lake" and "Buckeye" are extensively known. Shipments have been made also to Scotland, Ireland, the continent of Europe, Cuba and Central America.

The company stands high in the commercial world and its business affects a vast number of people of all classes, from the farmer to the dish-washer. The mill is in fact one of the most important institutions of our city.

The White Walnut Coal Company.



BY far the most important business enterprise of Pinckneyville from every point of view is the White Walnut Coal company. This company employs more labor and spends more money in the town than any other one enterprise. The company was organized on May 1, 1901. The stockholders are W. S. Wilson, W. K. Murphy, E. R. Hincke and S. S. and W. T. Ritchey.

The executive staff of the company is composed of the following: W. S. Wilson, president; W. T. Ritchey, vice-president; S. S. Ritchey, secretary,

splendid equipment was the installation of a cable system in the mine for the purpose of hauling the coal from the various rooms to the bottom of the shaft. This will greatly facilitate the production of coal, besides making the operation of the lower workings of the mine easier.

A few figures in regard to the output of this mine cannot fail to be of interest. At present it employs about two hundred miners. This force can be increased considerably as soon as the mine is developed sufficiently to give the additional men places to work



E. R. Hincke, treasurer. Asa Smith is the book-keeper for the company.

The Ritchey brothers began mining coal at this mine in 1900. When the larger company was organized a year later a new shaft was sunk and the former shaft was utilized as an air shaft. The new company started in to mine coal on a large scale. It acquired control of the mineral rights on four or five hundred acres of land in the vicinity of the mine, and proceeded to equip the mine with all the latest facilities for economical production of coal.

Their machinery is of the latest pattern and all of the mine equipments represent the latest ideas in mining machinery. Their latest addition to the

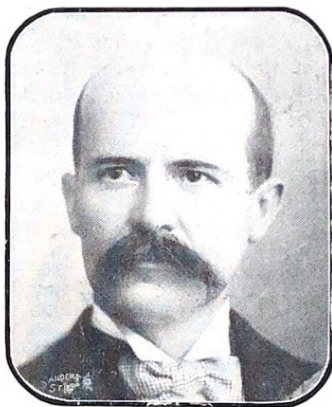
in. The capacity of the hoisting machinery is about twelve hundred tons per day. At present about nine hundred tons are being hoisted each day. Two shifts are at work nearly all the time, day and night.

Last year about fifty thousand tons of coal were hoisted. During the last eight months of the past calendar year the company paid its miners a little over \$90,000 in wages. This immense volume of money that is paid out each year has done a great deal toward reviving the business interests of the town. Nearly every dollar of it is spent in this city for the necessities of life and it can be readily seen what the White Walnut coal company is doing for Pinckneyville while it is incidentally making money

for itself. The company has the contract for supplying this division of the Illinois Central railroad with coal, and besides that has several other large contracts that keep the mine running continuously. The miners of this mine are reasonably certain of steady work all the time. And, another thing, the management of the White Walnut company is noted for the favor in which it is held by the employees. It is always ready to listen to any request from the employees that would have a tendency to promote more cordial relations between the company and its workers.

The company also maintains a large department store. The store is managed along the same lines as is the mine and both are models of up-to-date business enterprises. The store is under the management of W. T. Ritchey. The store employs four salespeople continuously, and that number is often increased when the volume of business is increased at

several other paying coal properties besides the White Walnut. He was among the first men to grasp the immense possibilities of the coal industry in this vicinity, and its development has been due in a great measure to his personal activity and business acumen. All of the other members of the company are men who have become noted in local business affairs. Besides being good business men they are good citizens and are always ready to do all in their power to help the prosperity of the community in a general way. Only the investment of their wealth has made possible such an industry for our city. Prior to the organization of this company the town offered but little inducement to the laboring man or prospective investor. At the time this company was organized the town had many empty houses. Now there is not an empty dwelling house to be found although several new ones have been erected within the past year or



W. S. Wilson,
President White Walnut Coal Co.

certain seasons. The store carries a full line of general merchandise and is a heavy buyer of poultry and farm products. The assistants in the store are: Roy King, Homer McDonald, Anna Hart and George Wilson. All of them are very efficient clerks and are very popular with the patrons of the store.

The working of the mine is superintended by men who are expert authorities on mining, and under their management the company and the men are certain that the mine will be conducted on lines that will insure profit to the operators and safety for the miners and other workers. S. S. Ritchey is the superintendent of the mine; day mine manager is W. C. Leming, and at night Henry Rennison has charge. John C. Rieger is day engineer and E. W. Gordon is the night engineer. Henry Young is the engineer of the haulage system in the mine.

Mr. Wilson, the president, is interested in

two. All lines of business have felt the impetus of the large volume of money paid out every month by this company.

The vein which the company works is a fair sample of Egypt's best bituminous coal. The vein here is over six feet thick. The coal makes excellent fuel and heating coal, and in fact can be used for almost any purpose that good coal can be used for.

The company has spent thousands of dollars simply for improved machinery to improve the condition and capacity of the mine. Every device known to the mining business is employed, and the result is that the White Walnut mine is a model. The mine is situated about half a mile south of town on the Carbondale division of the Illinois Central tracks. The tip house and all of the upper works of the mine are comparatively new and are models of their kind in up-to-date coal mine construction.

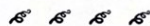
Unprecedented Success of W. W. Powell.

THE clothing and gent's furnishing goods store of W. W. Powell is one of the handsomest and best stocked stores of its kind to be found anywhere. Mr. Powell has a store to be proud of, and the honest and progressive lines on which he conducts the business should also be a source of pride to the proprietor. Mr. Powell is too well known to our people to need much introduction. He has been a prominent figure in the business activity of our town for several years past. He came to this city from Marion about 1892, to enter the employ of Murphy, Crawford & Co. He remained with that firm about six months, when he entered the employ of Jacob Lambert. He worked for Mr. Lambert until December, 1895. March 1, 1896, he embarked in business for himself. His first location was in the building now occupied by Hester's restaurant. He remained in that building only one month. On April 1 he moved into the Klotz building on the south side of the square. A larger stock was put in and preparations were made to meet the demand of his growing trade. The influx of trade which Mr. Powell anticipated came steadily and surely. From a modest beginning he gradually

increased his stock until now he has one of the most complete clothing and furnishing stores to be found in a town of this size. From 1896 until January 15, 1903, he remained in the Klotz building. On the latter date he removed to the McCants building, on the west side of the square. The building had been fitted up and finished especially for his use. His prosperity followed him to the new store, and only recently he found it necessary to employ Mr. Hosea Taylor to assist in handling the business.

This is not Mr. Powell's first experience in a business way. Before coming to this city he had been in business in Carterville for a period of twelve years.

Mr. Powell prides himself on trying hard to please every customer, and that fact is accountable for the success which has attended him. He is authority for the statement that his trade for the past year was better than that of any previous year in the history of the business; and he adds that he is confident that if honesty and fair dealing will bring the trade the business will be even better during the year just opened.



The General Store of H. W. Hincke & Bro.



THE firm of H. W. Hincke and Bro., is one of Pinckneyville's best known mercantile houses. The men composing the firm are progressive and up-to-date young business men who have made their store a success from the start. The firm of H. W. Hincke & Bro., began business in its present location on the south side of the square in January, 1899. Herman W. Hincke and George E. Hincke compose the firm. Previous to forming the partnership with his brother, Herman Hincke had been associated with Henry Gieser in the shoe business. Geo. E. Hincke, the junior member of the firm was for several years the traveling salesman of the Pinckneyville Milling Company. Both of the young men have been trained to business careers, and that training and their natural business abilities are being manifested by the success they have achieved with their store.

The firm carries a complete line of dry goods, shoes, groceries and everything needed about the home. The business has grown to such an extent that it is necessary to employ three people besides the two proprietors, who are themselves steadily em-

ployed in the store. The senior salesman is Henry Gieser, who is too well known to the majority of Perry county people to need more than mere mention. Mr. Gieser is a salesman of marked ability, and his presence contributes not a little to the popularity of the store. Miss Nellie Rule is the faithful and efficient dry goods saleslady. Miss Rule has been in the employ of the firm for quite awhile and enjoys the warm friendship of all of the store's patrons. A. W. McCants has also been with the firm for some time and is one of the best and most popular salesmen in town. The latest addition to the staff of employees is Frank Gruner. Frank is chief engineer of the delivery wagon and makes himself generally useful about the store.

They keep the large store room which they occupy constantly filled from floor to ceiling with a large and varied assortment of everything usually carried by a first class general store. In addition to their store proper, the firm occupies a large room in the Hincke building adjoining Marley's saloon as a ware room. The firm constantly does a large business in poultry and country produce.

J. M. Pillers & Sons, City Drug Store.

THE City Drug Store has been one of the landmarks of the Pinckneyville business world for over a quarter of a century. The business was established by T. S. Campbell when Pinckneyville was still a small village. It has enjoyed prosperity throughout all of its long career, and is still getting a generous share of the public's favors. Its present proprietors are J. M. Pillers & Sons. The firm is composed of J. M. Pillers, of Steepleville, and George and James Pillers, of this city. They purchased the business from Mr. Campbell in June, 1902, when failing health compelled the latter to lay down the burdens of active business. George had, for the previous five years, been in the employ of Mr. Campbell in the store. Both of the young men are registered pharmacists, and are men of exceptional business ability. They are building up a business of which any firm or any town could well be proud. J. M. Pillers, the senior member of the firm, is in the hotel business in Steepleville, and is prominent in the affairs of that town and its vicinity.

The store is located in the Hincke building, on the south side of the square. The store room is about

twenty feet wide and about fifty feet long, with a good sized ware room in the rear. The sales room is completely filled with a large stock of all kinds of drugs, chemicals and druggists' sundries. Besides their large drug business the firm carries a large stock of paints, oils, window glass, etc.

With enterprising and progressive young men at the head of the business the DEMOCRAT has no hesitancy in predicting for the City Drug Store a future even brighter and more successful than it has enjoyed in the past. As was said in the beginning this store has been a landmark of the town for over twenty-five years. The personality of Mr. Campbell the former proprietor, did much to identify the store and its business with the most important events of the town. People learn to feel a personal interest in any old established business and feel a desire for its success.

There is every assurance that the store will continue to maintain its high standing in the estimation of the people as long as it continues under the management of the present proprietors, who always give their customers the very best grade of stock.

The Square Deal Clothing Store.

THE Square Deal clothing store enjoys a flattering reputation all over this part of the county. It will shortly pass the seventh milestone of its existence in Pinckneyville business circles, and in that time has built up a fine trade. The business was established March 1, 1897, by Joseph Solomon, proprietor of several other clothing stores, with J. C. Wildy as manager and John Niesing as salesman. Mr. Solomon has a store in Du Quoin, one in Murphysboro and one in Carbondale. Besides his different retail stores he has a large merchant tailoring business in Chicago. Mr. Solomon resided at Du Quoin for many years and was mayor of that city for several terms. He now resides in Chicago. Of the managers of the business here, little need be said. Mr. Wildy has long been identified with the business interests of the city. For many years he was in the employ of H. O. Murphy, who conducted a clothing store in the building recently vacated by Blairs. His intimate knowledge of all the details of the clothing business has been largely instrumental in building up the fine trade which the Square Deal store enjoys. The clothing trade in this city has contracted in volume considerably since the store was established, but

throughout all the time that has intervened since it was established and the present it has always enjoyed a more than liberal share of the public's patronage. When the store entered the lists on March 1, 1897, there were four other clothing stores in Pinckneyville. Since that time the number has been reduced to a total of three. One or two general stores carry a small line of clothing, but do not make a specialty of it.

The Square Deal store is located on the south side of the square in a handsome building. The entire north end of the building is a glass display front, and Messrs. Niesing and Wildy always have this large window decorated in the most approved manner known to the window dressers' art. The entire store presents an appearance that can not be eclipsed by any similar establishment in a city of this size. The interior is a model of neatness and artistic arrangement.

The stock is always large and up-to-date. The latest fancies in clothing and furnishings are always found reflected in the stocks of the Square Deal. The fact that Mr. Solomon is the proprietor of one of the largest tailoring establishments in the Windy city is of immense advantage to this store in supplying the public with the latest and best thing in clothing.

Bank of Murphy, Wall & Company.

THIS bank was established in 1874, and has been doing a general banking business for thirty years. W. K. Murphy, George W. Wall and George W. Parker are the partners and owners of the bank. It has all these years been under the same management, and so carefully and prudently managed that it has not been compelled during any of the financial panics that have swept over the country, to force payment from those indebted to the bank. No person who was indebted has ever been compelled to make any sacrifice of their property to meet the demands of the bank, yet all demands made upon the bank by its depositors have been promptly met. It is a common saying now that Murphy Wall & Co. never force anybody to pay as long as they keep promising to do so.

This being a partnership bank, all the outside property of the partners, in addition to the assets of the bank is liable for the debts of the bank, so that its depositors have the very best possible security for their money.

This bank loans money on real estate or personal security or any good collateral on short or long time, as may suit the convenience of borrowers; buys school bonds and all kinds of municipal securities; buys and sells exchange on this and foreign countries; pays four per cent. interest per annum on time certificates for money deposited for one year; pays three and one-half per cent. per annum for money deposited in Savings Department, and the interest is compounded; that is, added to the principal every six months, to-wit: June 1, and December 1; pays three and one-half per cent. interest per annum on six months time certificates of deposit.

We have now a considerable sum of money that we would be glad to loan on real estate for one to five years time.

We are always prepared and glad to make loans to any person who can give good security, and solicit applications from all persons wanting such accommodations.

If you have money to deposit, we want it, and you know it is safe when in this bank. We have two of the very best makes of burglar proof safes inside of our vault, and we carry heavy insurance against burglary on each of them as well as insurance against daylight robbery.

If you want to do any kind of banking business we want your patronage, and having the very best facilities, and being amply able at all times to take care of your business, whatever it may be in our line, we know that we can give you entire satisfaction.

MURPHY, WALL & Co.



W. K. Murphy.

The bank has a capital and surplus of \$80,000. In addition to this immense capital and surplus the private fortunes of the stockholders of the institution offer an additional security to depositors of \$500,000.

William K. Murphy, whose picture appears on this page, is the president of the bank. Not a citizen of Perry county is better or more favorably known than is Mr. Murphy. Many a man has owed his success in life to encouragement and assistance given by Mr. Murphy. He has made a large fortune in

the course of his life by close and persistent application to business and it would be no more than justice to say that no man has been more deserving of success achieved than he. Mr. Murphy was born in Perry county on July 20, 1835. He studied law under the instruction of Wm. H. McKee, and was admitted to the bar in 1859. When the war broke out he assisted in raising a company of the 110th Illinois regiment of volunteer infantry and was elected captain of the company. Ill health compelled his resignation in 1863, and he returned to this city and resumed the practice of law. Success attended him from the beginning. He served as Master-in-Chancery of the county several years prior to 1868.

The working force of the bank is composed of Joseph Crawford, cashier; Wm. A. Brownlee, assistant cashier, and Charles Bischof is the very efficient clerk.

E. J. Hopp's Tin and Hardware Store.



EVERYBODY within a radius of many miles of Pinckneyville knows E. J. Hopp and has traded in his hardware store. Mr. Hopp has become one of the business fixtures of the town. He established his present hardware business in 1891.

He learned the tinner's trade in DuQuoin, and shortly after completing his apprenticeship embarked in business for himself. He opened for business in the north end of the Hoffman building, on the east side of the square, in the same rooms recently vacated by the general store of Erdmann & Liebster. Ed. was a young man who enjoyed the confidence and esteem of everybody and he naturally was bound to succeed.

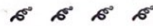
The location of Mr. Hopp's store is one of the best to be found in town. The store room is large and well lighted. The entire north end of the building is taken up by a large display window that makes it possible for the stock to be displayed to the best possible advantage.

Mr. Hopp labored faithfully and the business began to gradually expand. The original store eventually became too small, and the proprietor began to

cast about for a new and larger building. Finally he leased the lot across the street from the Hoffman building and erected a new store. Besides doing all kinds of tin work, such as spouting, roofing and guttering, Mr. Hopp carries a full line of all kinds of hardware, except stoves. He makes a specialty of miner's hardware of all kinds.

Mr. Hopp is one of our foremost citizens and takes a keen interest in anything that has the good of the city for its object.

The DEMOCRAT takes a pride in holding up Mr. Hopp as an example of a live and up-to-date business man in every respect. Not only does he conduct his store upon the most improved modern lines, but he also is a firm believer in the modern methods of drawing trade. He has always been a persistent and intelligent user of space in the Pinckneyville papers, and this fact, together with the uniform courtesy and strict honesty with which he treats all of his customers, has been responsible for his success. The success which Mr. Hopp has achieved can be enjoyed by any other business man who will intelligently and persistently advertise.



Erdmann & Liebster General Merchandise.



THE firm of Erdmann & Liebster, dealers in general merchandise, was organized but little over a year ago. The company opened its store for business on February 15, 1903. Their first location was in a small room in the north end of the Hoffman building.

The firm is composed of Messrs. Emil and Rev. G. Erdmann, of this city and Herman Liebster, of Mulkeytown. Emil Erdmann, prior to going into business with the firm of Erdmann & Liebster, was a salesman for Brown & Fitts Department Store. He is a young man of considerable business ability and has all kinds of hustle.

Mr. Liebster is the proprietor of the Mulkeytown flouring mill and has long been prominent in the business affairs of that town. Rev. G. Erdmann, the other member of the firm, is the pastor of the Mulkeytown Lutheran church, and up to last February was the pastor of the church in this city. In the write-up of the churches, we said that Rev. Erdmann was at present the pastor of the church in this city. We regret the error.

Messrs. Erdmann & Liebster started in business

on a very modest scale, mainly for the reason that at the time their business was established there was no suitable store vacant in the city. The room first occupied soon became entirely too small, but the firm could find no other location until last September, when the DEMOCRAT vacated the larger room in the same building. The firm had the room fitted up for a store and now have one of the neatest and best stocked general stores to be found in town.

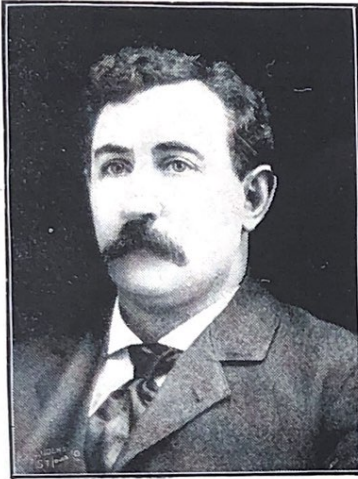
Their business has enjoyed a steady increase from the very outset. Just now the store is having a better trade than it has had at any time since it began business. The firm is a member of the Retail Merchants' Association of Pinckneyville, and is always ready to do anything in its power to help the business affairs of the town.

The store carries a full line of general merchandise, boots, shoes, etc. It also buys large quantities of country produce. For what the store buys, the highest market prices are paid, and for the goods it sells only the lowest prices that are consistent with safe business methods are asked for the very best quality of goods.

Taffee & Trover's Furniture Store.



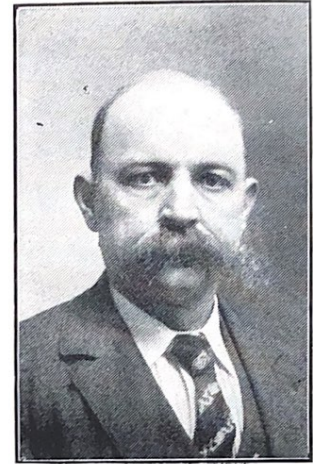
ONE of the largest and best stocked furniture stores the best known and most popular citizens of the to be found in any town is that of Taffee & Trover county. Mr. Taffee was our county clerk for many ver. The gentlemen composing the firm are among years, and during his incumbency and for some years previously Mr. Trover was the deputy.



J. G. Taffee.

They embarked in the furniture business in the Stookey building about a year ago, and have prospered from the start. Their store is stocked with every description of furniture. Both men are of sterling honesty and business integrity and these qualities are sure to bring increased prestige for themselves and their business as the years go by. The firm is among the youngest of our business enterprises, but its strides have been rapid, even beyond the fondest anticipations of the proprietors.

Messrs Taffee & Trover cater especially to the trade of those who want high-grade furniture at a moderate price. Both try to live up to their business motto of "Live and let live," by being satisfied with large sales and modest

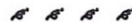


Jas. H. Trover.

profits. Their policy is sure to bear fruit in a business that will surely and steadily increase. They extend a cordial invitation at all times to the public to come into their big store and inspect their fine stock.



An Old Established Hardware Business.



ALMOST ever since the city of Pinckneyville has had a history the store of Philip Gruner has been identified with it. Since 1854 he has been in business continuously selling hardware to the people of Pinckneyville and the surrounding country. During that long and honorable business career he has become better known than perhaps any other one business man in the town. Mr. Gruner came here from Chester and started in business in 1854. As his sons grew to manhood they were admitted to partnership in the business, which is now styled P. Gruner & Sons. The store in which Mr. Gruner began business is still standing beside the splendid modern business building which the firm now occupies on the north side of the square. By honesty, broad and liberal dealings and faithful application to the business

he has amassed a very comfortable fortune, and now in his declining years has settled down to take life easy. George and Philip A. Gruner, the junior

members of the firm, inherited all of their father's business ability and the store continues to prosper under their management. Besides the store they are closely identified with several other important business enterprises of the city, among which are the telephone system and the creamery. Both of these business enterprises are moderately successful, too. They purchased the creamery from a stock company about three years ago.

Philip Gruner, the founder of the present business, whose picture appears on this page, was born in Germany, but came to this country at an early age. He soon adapted himself to American customs and began to prosper at the beginning.



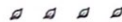
Philip Gruner.

W. A. Nesbitt's Exclusive Dry Goods Emporium.

PINCKNEYVILLE has one exclusive dry goods store that would be an ornament to any city. The Nesbitt store is a household word among the ladies, not only of the city of Pinckneyville, but also in a large section of country adjacent to the city. W. A. Nesbitt, the proprietor, is an up-to-date business man in every sense of the word, and it has been his intelligent conception of what is required of a first-class dry goods store that has made his business in Pinckneyville so successful. Mr. Nesbitt is possessed of lifelong experience in the dry goods business. For eight years he was manager of a large department store in Emporia, Kansas. Later he was the manager of the upholstering department of Nugent's big St. Louis store. Mr. Nesbitt came to Pinckneyville from St. Louis in 1892, to enter the employ of E. R.

Hincke, who was then the proprietor of the store now owned by Mr. Nesbitt. A few months later Mr. Nesbitt purchased the business. From the outset his modern business methods and the uniform courtesy and liberal dealings which characterize all his business dealings have brought success and prosperity.

Besides the proprietor, the store keeps three salespeople busy. Mr. Al. Zahn is the head clerk. Mr. Zahn is thoroughly familiar with every detail of the business, and his obliging manner and readiness to serve the wants of the patrons has made him a very popular fixture of the store. Misses Minnie King and Minnie Rule have been employed in the store for some time and their smiling faces behind the counters are a familiar and pleasing sight to the shoppers of Pinckneyville.

**Murphy & Malone's Building Material and Lumber Yard.**

MURPHY & Malone are among the best known of our business people. Although they only started a year or two ago, they have been very successful and are building up a nice business. The firm is composed of B. P. Murphy and Frank Malone, both of whom are too well known to our readers to need more than mere introduction. Both have been prominently connected with various business interests for several years.

They carry everything in stock that is to be found in a first class lumber yard. They keep at all times a full and complete stock of lumber, lath, shingles, sash, doors, lime, cement and all kinds of feed. They also make a specialty of Patton's Sun Proof paint, Magic stock and poultry food and roofing paper.

Murphy & Malone's lumber yard is located on Randolph street, opposite the furniture store of Taffee & Trover. Their yards cover a large slice of ground, in fact nearly a block. The sheds are filled from top to bottom with the choicest product of the saw mills of the country. You can buy any kind of a piece of lumber that you may happen to want; you can get a rough fencing board or a piece of the finest finishing material. They handle the best of everything and a house constructed with material purchased at their yard is sure to be as well built as far as the quality of material is concerned as it is possible for it to be built.

They desire to take this opportunity of thanking the people for their liberal patronage.

**Herrmany's Carriage, Wagon and Farming Implement Store.**

WHO is there in Perry county—and for that matter in a large portion of two or three other adjacent counties—that has not heard of John Herrmany. Scarcely one, we should say. Now it must not be inferred that John is notorious, for such is not the case. His wide acquaintance has been due to the fact that he is one of the best and most persistent hustlers in the county, and he makes his influence felt in parts of the counties that are adjacent to Pinckneyville.

Mr. Herrmany came to Pinckneyville from Swanwick in January 1902. He had been in business in the latter place for twelve years previously. He had supplied every farmer in that whole neighborhood with machinery. He sells almost everything imaginable in the machinery line and he sells a lot of

it, too. He has made the Studebaker vehicles household words in this county. He enjoys a large trade in twine, clover seed, stock peas, etc.

Mr. Herrmany is located in an advantageous position on the corner west of the First National bank building. He has enjoyed a large measure of prosperity ever since embarking in the business, and his broad and liberal business methods and his persistent hustling is adding to his popularity and success day by day.

Not alone in a business way is Mr. Herrmany noted. He enjoys the reputation of being one of our most up-to-date and public-spirited citizens. He is always foremost in advocating any movement that has for its object the advancement of the town.

Brown & Fitts' Big Department Store.

THE firm of Brown & Fitts Department Store was organized on November 11, 1901. The firm succeeded G. W. Brown. Under the new management the store has become a household word all over a large portion of the county.

The firm is composed of Elmer Brown and Ross Fitts. Both are young men of vim and energy and know merchandizing from the ground up.

Mr. Brown was employed for many years in the store of his father, G. W. Brown, while Mr. Fitts served a long apprenticeship in the mercantile business behind the counters of Learned & Mead's store in this city. They are thoroughly imbued with the idea that modern business enterprises must be conducted on the latest and most approved lines. Their immense business proves conclusively how closely they have followed their ideals of a model store.

Brown & Fitts sell everything needed about the house or farm. In addition to one of the largest and most varied stocks of dry goods, shoes, groceries, etc., they also handle a large stock of clothing and furnishing goods, and carry a full line of cook stoves, ranges and heaters.

This store does an immense business in buying poultry and all kinds of farm products. The members of the firm for a while conducted a commission house in St. Louis. Their business here, however, assumed such proportions that it required their undivided attention, and the commission business was disposed of.

The members of the firm are strong believers in the efficacy of printer's ink in drawing trade, and are liberal users of space in the city papers. In the past year they have made some very flattering advertising triumphs, among the most noticeable of which was the double-page "ad." in the DEMOCRAT, on December 18, and the giving away of the \$50.00 range last fall. On the day when the drawing was made for the range the store and the street in front of it was literally packed with people. The crowd was made up entirely of people who had purchased goods at the store and were entitled to a chance on the range.

Besides the two proprietors the store employs four sales people. They are W. A. Biby, Jacob Degen, Viola Holmes and Orville Harris. Lee Thetford is also employed on Saturdays.

L. W. Brostmeyer's Excellent Showing.

FEW if any of our business men can boast of wider acquaintance among the buying people of this part of the county than can L. W. Brostmeyer. Mr. Brostmeyer opened his general merchandise store on the south side of the square in 1901. He has enjoyed prosperity from the beginning.

His stock consists of dry goods, shoes, groceries and everything usually found in a first-class general store. He also buys poultry and farm produce of all kinds.

Mr. Brostmeyer has built up a fine trade by fair dealing and close application to business. He came into the business with but very little mercantile training, but notwithstanding that fact he has kept pace with all of the business interests in town.

Mr. Brostmeyer purchased the store from Jacob Lambert. Mr. Lambert had conducted the business for many years before selling to the present proprietor. Before embarking in the merchandise business Mr. Brostmeyer was one of our most prosperous farmers. He owns several fine farms in the vicinity of Pinckneyville. Mr. Brostmeyer has amassed a comfortable competence by faithful and untiring efforts

and frugal management, the qualities most necessary to make a successful business man. The same characteristics which made him a successful tiller of the soil have followed him into merchandizing, and there is not the slightest doubt but that Mr. Brostmeyer has a remarkably successful business future before him if good values, honest and courteous treatment and the better grade of goods will do it.

A history of the business of Mr. Brostmeyer would not be complete without mention of Peter J. C. Hamm, his efficient clerk. Mr. Hamm is a native of New York City, but has lived in Perry county for many years. Mr. Hamm was in business at Conants for several years before coming to this city. He was also postmaster there. Mr. Hamm succeeded Chas. Loos as bookkeeper for Mr. Brostmeyer. No citizen of our town enjoys more of the esteem and respect of the people than does Mr. Hamm and none is more deserving of it. He has been honored with several municipal offices. At present he is city clerk and Justice of the Peace. He was also city treasurer for some years previous to his election as clerk. Mr. Hamm is a prominent Modern Woodman.

Schneider Bros. Mine.

ANOTHER Pinckneyville enterprise that gives employment to several men is the Schneider Bros. mine. This mine is in the east end of the city and was formerly known as the Roe mine. The Schneiders have had control of the property for some time, and at present the mine is working steadily with a force of several men.

They produce a good quality of coal and the company has no difficulty in finding ready sale for all of their coal in the local market. Both of the Schneiders are men of considerable business ability and experience in the coal industry. This mine is one of the oldest in the vicinity, is equipped with steam hoisting apparatus and is well supplied with the best means of mining coal economically.

This mine was opened in 1898 by Henry Maasburg and Frank Malone, who operated it for several years.

Elias K. Kane,**JEWELER AND OPTICIAN.**

After taking a thorough course in watch work and optics, Mr. Kane opened the jewelry store July 4th, 1899, in his store room opposite the Fire Department, and has continued at the same place ever since. He carries a splendid line of watches, clocks, silverware, cut glass, and toilet articles. Mr. Kane makes a specialty in engagement and wedding rings, which are engraved free of charge. He guarantees entire satisfaction on all work, and it will be done in a workmanlike manner. Call and see him and have your eyes fitted properly; he examines your eyes free of charge. Mr. Kane's thorough knowledge of the business and his never failing courtesy to customers, combined with his wide circle of friends and acquaintances, have built up an excellent business which is increasing steadily day by day.

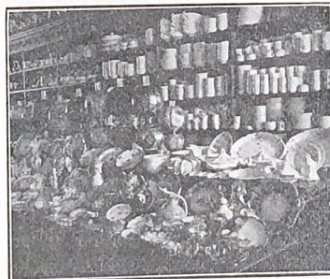
Fred Ulrich's Store.

NONE of our large number of business men are more favorably known than Fred Ulrich. The store of which Mr. Ulrich is the proprietor is one among the oldest business establishments in our city. Mr. Ulrich succeeded L. Weingarth in the business in 1888. Mr. Weingarth established the business many years previously. Mr. Ulrich carries a complete line of general merchandise and enjoys a good trade. Mr. Ulrich enjoys the friendship and respect of all our citizens and has at different times occupied many positions of public trust. He has been president of the school board, has been a member of the city council, and the duties of all these several offices have been discharged with the aggressive ability that is characteristic of the man. He is a stockholder and one of the directors of the First National Bank, and has long been prominent in Pinckneyville business.

A Fine Livery Stable.

THE livery firm of Gabel & Rebholz began business on July 4, 1903, purchasing on that date the interest of L. M. Kane & Son. The firm is composed of A. L. Gabel and Rudolph Rebholz. Mr. Gabel was formerly manager of the creamery and at present is engaged in the saloon business.

They make a specialty of extra good service for traveling men. The stable has plenty of rigs and horses, and the management is always ready to serve the public day or night. The firm has a fine hearse in connection with the stable. The hearse they have at present is being repaired and a new one will shortly be put in. The business is under the management of Mr. Rebholz. He is a young man of push and energy and much business ability. The stable has always enjoyed a good trade and under this management will continue to prosper.

Ozburn's China Store.

ONE of the most attractive and completely stocked china and queensware stores to be found any place is that of Allen Ozburn on the northwest corner of the square. Under Mr. Ozburn's management the store has been completely restocked, and the variety has been much enlarged. The store is in charge of Mrs. Ozburn, and she is most ably assisted by Miss Etta Brower. The store also carries a stock of books, periodicals, magazines and sheet music which can not be excelled.

Davison's Drug Store.

ALBERT DAVISON succeeded E. M. Hawkins in the drug business at his present location on March 14, 1892. The store is one of the most complete and up-to-date drug stores to be found anywhere. A few months ago Mr. Davison had the store room enlarged and otherwise improved and added considerably to his already large and complete stock.

Mr. Davison has long been an active figure in the business affairs of Pinckneyville, having been at different times connected with other enterprises besides his drug store. He is a young man of marked business ability and has made a flattering success of his drug business. His business dealings are characterized by a uniform courtesy that has made his store one of the most popular in town.

Mr. Davison is located on the west side of the square in his own building.

High Class Tailoring.

WM. Brey's tailoring business was established here in January, 1882, and at that time it started as a partnership under the name of Lutz & Brey. Mr. Lutz disposed of his interest to Mr. Brey in 1884, and the latter has been sole proprietor since that time. The business was first located in the building now occupied by Jacob Young. Since that time it has occupied various buildings; last fall Mr. Brey built a handsome new business building on Walnut street and the business now occupies a permanent home. Mr. Brey has built up a nice trade in his line. At present four people are employed in the shop and all of them are always busy. Mr. Brey invites all his old friends and customers to continue their favors of the past, and he also invites those who have not yet patronized him to come around and get acquainted at once.

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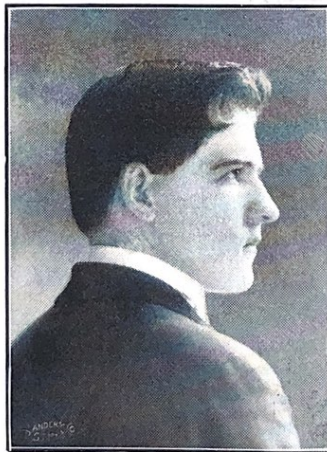
Fashionable Millinery.

PINCKNEYVILLE has several millinery stores, but none is better known or more up-to-date in every respect than that of Mrs. Belle Ozburn. Mrs. Ozburn's neat and well stocked store is located on Walnut street in the Hoffman building. Mrs. Ozburn has been in the millinery business in this city for several years, and has always enjoyed a large proportion of the patronage of the public. She always has the latest things in the way of hats and trimmings. She sells her goods at the lowest possible prices and in that way has built up a very comfortable trade. She desires to thank her many friends for their patronage of the past, and extends a cordial invitation for them to remember her store when they get ready to make their spring purchases. She will have all the season's styles in stock, and you can get something that will suit you.

Sattler's Dray Line.

A history of the business interests of the town would not be complete without mentioning Jacob Sattler, the drayman. Jake is more closely identified with all the business people in town than perhaps any other citizen. Mr. Sattler has been in the drayage business for several years and has a large number of regular customers. Jake's genial and cheery disposition is not the least of his stock in trade. The weather is never too hot, too cold or too wet for him to serve his customers. Jake also assists Baer Bros., of Belleville, in buying mules. His wide acquaintance all over this part of the county, and his accurate judgment as to the merits of stock make him a valuable assistant to their buyers. Jake makes a specialty of heavy moving. Since he has been in the business he has had the contract of moving the DEMOCRAT office three times.

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E. E. Rice.

I take 'em day or night.

Its all the same daylight or dark.

Photos of any one of your family from the baby on the floor to grandmother in the old arm chair. Weddings, parties, reunions, lodgerooms, theaters, halls, a specialty. Inquire at E. E. Rice's residence.

C. E. Keene's Grocery.

AMONG our up-to-date grocery stores none can be found more worthy of the title than that of Charles E. Keene. Mr. Keene has only been in business a short time, but his store is rapidly becoming popular with the people who like to buy where they are sure of getting their money's worth and we will let Mr. Keene speak for himself.

"I wish to state to the readers of this paper that my store which has only been opened four months, is enjoying a large and growing trade, many new customers being added every day. I attribute the large volume of trade I am receiving to the treatment I accord my customers, always bearing in mind that a pleased customer is my best advertisement. New customers are always welcome at my store as well as old ones. My prices are always the lowest. Come in and see me."

CHAS. E. KEENE.

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A Fine Meat Market.

JACOB Bartle, on the southwest corner of the square, has one of the best meat shops to be found any place. Mr. Bartle enjoys the confidence and patronage of a large proportion of the citizens of Pinckneyville, and he deserves it, too. Mr. Bartle is a man of push and enterprise. All his dealings are characterized by liberal and considerate treatment of those with whom he deals, his only aim is to please every customer that enters his shop. In addition to his fine retail business Mr. Bartle also deals in live stock. Success has attended him from the start and the DEMOCRAT feels confident in predicting that good fortune will continue to smile on him. The meat market is in charge of his son, Elvis. The latter has made the shop popular by the cordial smile and cherry greetings which he has for every one who enters, whether their order be large or small.

The Eureka Manufacturing Company.

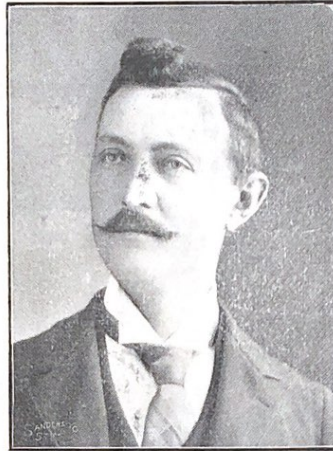
THE Eureka Manufacturing Company is one of the most important business enterprises of our town. The present flourishing business has undergone several changes since it was first launched. The company began business in 1891 under the name of the Pinckneyville Iron Works. George Van Keuren and J. J. Bischof were the stockholders. A few years later Van Keuren retired from the firm and Mr. Bischof became the sole proprietor. Mr. Bischof conducted the business until 1900, when Martin Mayer and Fred J. Beck became associated with him and the name of the company was changed to the Eureka Manufacturing company. Mr. Mayer is now the sole proprietor, his partners having sold out their interests to him about a year ago.

The Eureka company has one of the best machine shops to be found

anywhere. The shop is fitted with the latest and most improved machinery for iron working, such as lathes, drills, etc. Mr. Mayer is always ready to do any kind of repair work on any kind of machinery. The plant is run by a ten horse power steam engine.

Mr. Mayer also carries a full line of all kinds of machinists sundries. He also sells threshermen's supplies of all kinds, belting, oils, pumps, hose, packing, brass goods pipes, fittings, mill supplies, saws, etc. The trade of those in need of such supplies is respectfully solicited.

The Eureka Manufacturing Company in addition to its large local trade also enjoys a good patronage from out-of-town people who are in the market for threshermen's supplies and other articles not usually sold outside of the large cities.



Martin Mayer.

Henry Schulze's Lumber Yard.

NO more worthy representative of the business interests of Pinckneyville could be found than Henry Schulze. For a great many years Mr. Schulze has been one of the central figures in our commercial activity. Mr. Schulze is the proprietor of a flourishing lumber business and also a grist and saw mill.

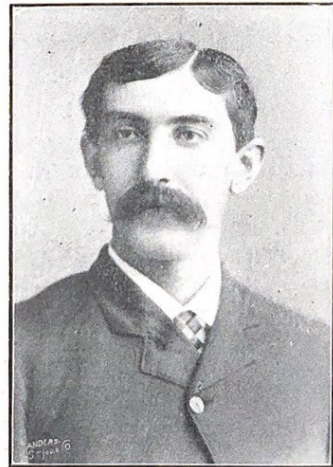
He is a lifelong citizen of the town, coming here at the age of seven. After reaching manhood he was associated with his father in the milling business. Later on he acquired control of the mill himself. In 1883 he disposed of the mill to the present Pinckneyville Milling Company, and in the following year established his lumber business.

Mr. Schulze is a business man to the manner born, and has made a success of all of his ventures. Not only is he a good business man, but he is possessed of all the qualities

necessary to the making of a good citizen. He enjoys the confidence and highest respect of all the people.

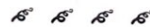
He served a term as mayor and discharged the duties of the office with exceptional ability and his administration gave general satisfaction to the people. He is a member of the Southern Illinois Lumber Dealers Association, and was a director of that body for three years. At the time of the last meeting he was tendered the presidency of the association, but on account of his business interests he declined.

Mr. Schulze has one of the best stocked lumber yards in Perry county. He carries a full line of all kinds of hard and soft lumber, sashes, doors, blinds, moulding, etc. In addition to his large lumber business he also has a large trade at his custom grist mill grinding feed, etc. Mr. Schulze has a practical knowledge of the milling trade.



Henry Schulze.

Benjamin W. Pope, Mayor of Du Quoin.



Joshua Lemmon, County Coroner.



ON MARCH 25, 1842, on a farm over in Harrison county, Ind., was the beginning of the life of Joshua Lemmon, whose picture appears opposite. After an uneventful childhood, his pulses were quickened at the call for men to save the nation, and at the age of nineteen enlisted, serving with distinction throughout the entire war. Shortly after the close of the war Mr. Lemmon came to Southern Illinois and finally located in Pinckneyville in the year of 1873 and has since been one of our most respected citizens, having acted as one of our school directors for twenty-five consecutive terms and one year as township trustee. In 1900 he was elected coroner on the Republican ticket and is giving entire satisfaction in that office.

Mr. Lemmon was for many years employed by the railroad company in the capacity of section foreman and always gave excellent satisfaction, but, on account of age, he retired from the service of the railroad company a few years ago, and is now residing quietly on his farm, a short distance from the city. Mr. Lemmon is the Commander of J. P. Cowens Post, G. A. R., he is also a Mason, an Odd Fellow, Knight of Pythias, and a member of the Federation of Labor.

MR. POPE is also states attorney for Perry county. He was born in Franklin county, Ill., his parents moving to the village of Du Quoin in the year of 1864, at which place he laid the foundation of his education, finishing the training of that brilliant intellect at Champaign, Ill. He was at different times principal of the Tamaroa schools and superintendent of the Du Quoin schools.

Concluding to take up the practice of law, he attended the Washington University at St. Louis for some time, finally finishing the law course at Northwestern University, of Chicago, being admitted to the bar in 1878. Mr. Pope rapidly built up a practice and in 1890 was appointed local attorney for the Illinois Central, and the same year he was elected county judge on the Democratic ticket for a term of four years. In 1893 he was elected states attorney to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of C. R. Hawkins, besides being twice mayor of Du Quoin.



Martin Steam Bakery, of Du Quoin.



ONE of the best known business enterprises in Du Quoin is the Martin Steam Bakery. This business was established on May 10, 1899 under the management of Lawrence Martin. The business prospered from the start. On August 4, 1901, Mr. Martin died and Robert Plumlee, then deputy circuit clerk of Perry county, succeeded to the management of the business.

Under his management the business has doubled. The bakery now occupies two buildings each 20x90 feet and the shop has two ovens each with a capacity of 600 loaves of bread at a baking. The shop is equipped with all of the latest and most approved machinery for the manufacture of bread. Power for the plant is furnished by an 8-horse-power Fairbanks-Morse gasoline engine. The shop is located at the corner of South Division and Poplar streets. Besides the bakery the company maintains a large retail store on Main street, first door west of the postoffice.

The process of manufacturing bread by steam power is far superior to the old process of hand-mixing in the matter of cleanliness as well as in the fact that the mixing is much more thorough. An exami-

nation of the plant would be a surprise in the way of making bread to a great many of our housewives.

The company ships bread to nearly every town and city in Southern Illinois. The reputation of its products is well established, and the management can confidently look forward to even greater success in the future than it has enjoyed in the past. The company has ever kept the idea in view that it was better to do a large business with small profits than a small business with large profits. The success which they have achieved proves the correctness of their theory.

The business employs from 12 to 16 people. It is no exaggeration to say that this business is one of the most important of Du Quoin's enterprises, and it would be no more than justice to the splendid record which Martin's Steam Bakery has made to say that the citizens of that town should be proud of the business. It is a worthy monument to the memory of its founder, Mr. Martin, and not only that, but it is a striking tribute to the business ability of its present manager, Mr. Plumlee.



THE TEAGUE MERCANTILE COMPANY.



A Few Words in Description of Du Quoin's Great Department Store, and Its Department Managers.



THE Teague Mercantile Company of Du Quoin, Illinois, incorporated under the laws of this state, bids fair to become one of the greatest concerns of its kind in the country. They are the successors of S. B. Eaton & Co. and M. Teague, both of whom did a general merchandise business. Being the recognized headquarters of the four Weaver Coal & Coke Company's mines with a pay roll of about five thousand dollars per month the influence of this great factor alone causes the store to become at once the greatest trading center of the city.

This department store carries complete lines of dry goods, boots, shoes, clothing, gents' furnishings, groceries, queensware, hardware, furniture, etc.

The president of the concern, Mr. Marion Teague has been a resident of the county for nearly fifty years and always a leading factor in the business interests at large.

Mr. John A. Griffin, who has charge of the hardware and furniture departments, is noted for his wide-

a-woke business principles and deep interest in the welfare of the trade. Mr. Edgar Simms, who has charge of the groceries and queensware department, is a man of long experience in these lines and a broad-minded support.

Mr. L. W. Fellows, who was for ten years connected with a prominent Chicago dry goods house, lends a ready hand in the management of the affairs and does the buying for the other departments.

There are from twelve to fifteen people employed regularly to look after the interests of the company and they are people whose experience justify higher recompense than paid by any other like business in the country. The other directors of the company are Mr. J. C. Harris, Mr. Clarence Kelly, Mr. W. O. King, and the secretary is Mr. L. B. Kelly. The store is located at the Teague and Harris corner in the business center of the city.

The Teague Mercantile Company extends a hearty welcome to all visitors.

The Old Established Jewelry Store of Charles Geumalley.

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PERHAPS not another business man in Pinckneyville has a longer record of service to his credit than has Chas. Geumalley. For nearly half a century he has been in business here. To be exact, forty-five years have elapsed since he first opened the doors of his establishment to the public. During the long career he has enjoyed the confidence and respect of all our people and has made a marked success in a financial way.

Mr. Geumalley came to Pinckneyville from Red Bud in 1859. Previous to that time he had worked at the jewelry trade in Chicago. He opened up for business in the old building that formerly occupied the site of the First National Bank building. He remained in that building about seven years, when he

purchased the property where his store is now located. For the past thirty-eight years he has occupied the same corner.

Mr. Geumalley has always taken an active part in the affairs of his adopted city, and has long been recognized as one of its leading and most progressive citizens. He has been prominently connected with the Perry county fair association for several years.

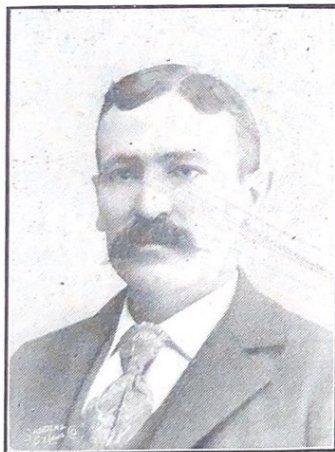
Several years ago he was a member of the board of county commissioners of this county. In whatever position he has served the people he has always endeavored to serve them to the very best of his ability. Besides his jewelry business Mr. Geumalley is a stockholder and director of the First National Bank, and has other business interests.

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Fred Beck's Grocery Business.

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FRED BECK is Pinckneyville's old reliable grocery man. He has conducted a grocery store in this city for over twenty-three years. Mr. Beck was born in Mascoutah and went from there when he was a young man, to the West. He resided in California



Fred Beck.

seven years, during which time he was traveling salesman for Wm. K. Matzenbach, importer of teas and coffee, at San Francisco. He came to Pinckneyville on March 4, 1881. He went into the grocery business immediately, in the building where F. S. L. Kugler's store is now located. A short time after starting in business he built the store

room that was formerly occupied by Miss A. Brostmeyer millinery's store. He sold that building, however, and moved his store to the building now occupied by Roe & Wallace's drug store. A few months after moving into that building he built the store now occupied by Will Keene. Thomas Skelly afterwards purchased that building from Mr. Beck and the latter moved his store to the building he now occupies.

Dr. Emmet Peyton, Dentist.

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THE subject of this sketch was born and raised in Southern Illinois. He is a graduate of the Louisville College of Dentistry, a department of the Central University of Kentucky, and is an active representative of the up-to-date scientifically educated

dentists who have made for their profession a worthy name. Dr. Peyton graduated with honors, making the best general average on the final examination in a class of 37. His offices, which are located on the south side of the square, are furnished with all the appliances necessary to the performance of all work demanded of the profession. Dr. Peyton, by his



Dr. E. Peyton.

thoroughly practical knowledge of dentistry, is able to assure all patients that the work will be done according to the highest standard that prevails in the largest cities. The doctor has especially built up a reputation on his excellent crown and bridge work and his painless methods of extracting teeth. His work is such that it speaks for itself much louder than mere words could possibly do.

Kane Brothers' Dental Rooms.

PINCKNEYVILLE and the surrounding community may well be congratulated on its high class dental advantages, for there is no office in the state better equipped, or better prepared, for all kinds of dental services, than the Kane Bros. dental offices of this city, located above Elias K. Kane's jewelry store, opposite the fire department, on Walnut street.

Established in 1894, its growth in favor and patronage has extended far beyond the confines of the county.

In 1900, the laboratory facili-

ties at the Pinckneyville office becoming inadequate to keep up with the increasing business, a laboratory was established in St. Louis at 712 Pine street. Here they were supplied with electricity for the motors and fuel gas for furnace heat, and all other apparatus and equipment with which to turn out work with not only greater dispatch, but with greater perfection.

Later, these quarters on Pine street becoming too crowded, they moved into a suite of rooms in the Holland building on 7th street, between Olive and Pine, where they

are now located, comfortably and profitably. Here is turned out all the plates, crowns and bridges which supply the patients of their different offices, and also crowns and bridges for some of the leading dentists of St. Louis besides

In connection with the laboratory, they have an office for chair work which is being favorably patronized by the people of St. Louis.

The members of this firm are John K. Kane, D. D. S., Wm. W. Kane, M. D., Dental Surgeon, operators at the chairs, and Chas. D. Kane, Manager of the Laboratory.

The Young People at Hepp's Place.

THE restaurant and confectionery store of Mrs. Geo. J. Hepp has long been one of the landmarks of Pinckneyville. Geo. J. Hepp, the founder of the business came to Pinckneyville from Ermershauesen, Germany, in 1871. Mr. Hepp embarked in the butcher business almost immediately after coming to this city. For eight years he conducted a growing and prosperous business.

Mr. Hepp finally tired of the butcher business and, in 1879, he started a restaurant in the building

where Al. Davison's drug store is now located. In the following year he built the structure now occupied by the business. The store is located on the west side of the square in one of the best business locations in town. Mr. Hepp conducted the business with marked success from the time of its establishment until his death, on February 3, 1903. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Hepp has continued the business.

Besides the restaurant feature, the store is also noted as having

one of the best soda fountains in town, and in the summer months it is a popular place with the young people of Pinckneyville at all times.

Mrs. Hepp also carries a stock of groceries, school books, school supplies, blank books and stationery. The store is under the active management of Louis Hepp. Mr. Hepp is a popular young man, and one whose ability will be more than sufficient to keep the business up to the high standard which it has always maintained.

W. S. Wilson, Capitalist.

WE FEEL that a history of the business interests of Pinckneyville and of her citizens would not be complete without including W. S. Wilson, whose name has appeared from time to time throughout this book in connection with various enterprises. Mr. Wilson is a striking example of a self-made man in every sense of the term. He was born at Brandenburg, Ky., in October, 1852. Shortly after he was fifteen years old he learned telegraphy in an office at Owensboro, Ky. After mastering the

mysteries of the key he was given the position of operator. In November, 1870, he entered the employ of the St. Louis, Alton & Terre Haute railroad as station agent at Freeburg. From that time his advancement in railroad circles was rapid.

He only remained at Freeburg a few months, after which he was promoted to a position in the general freight office at East St. Louis. There his steady application and peculiar aptitude for the work brought one promotion after an-

other until he had filled every position in that department. Next he filled positions in the office of the general superintendent and auditor. Later he acted as paymaster for the road. And finally his ability and application was rewarded with promotion to the important and responsible position of superintendent. He abandoned railroading some years ago and has since devoted his attention exclusively to business affairs in which he has become widely known and eminently successful.

William Watson Kane, M. D.



WILLIAM Watson Kane was born in Washington county Illinois, five miles west of Nashville, June 27, 1864. At the age of five years he moved with his parents to Mascoutah, Illinois, where he lived until the fall of 1879, when the family came to this city.

His school days were spent in the public schools of Mascoutah and Pinckneyville. In the fall of 1882 he was awarded a teacher's certificate by the county superintendent, and taught one of the grades in our public school the following winter.

During the summers of 1882 and 1883, he traveled for the Milwaukee Harvesting Machine Company of Milwaukee, Wis., covering territory in the states of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, Dakota Territory as far north as Grafton and Ontario, Canada. On his return home the latter part of September, 1883, he stopped in Chicago and made arrangements to attend medical lectures, and within a week, on the 2d day of October, Mr. Kane was a matriculate in the College of Physicians and Surgeons. From the wheat fields of Dakota to the amphitheatre of the lecture room and an hour's discourse on the occipital bone was a divergence most trying indeed.

Those names of eminences and depressions, of fissures and fossae, and muscular attachments, etc. etc., were enough to make the heart of a Harvard graduate faint. But by hard word and close application the various branches of the curriculum, about twenty-five in number, were mastered, and at the end of a three-year course, on February 23, 1886, Mr. Kane was awarded his diploma. Dr. Kane was very popular with his fellow students and with the members of

the Faculty, not only by virtue of his social qualities but by virtue of his high standing in his studies. At the end of the second year of his medical course, in an oral competitive examination on mental and nervous diseases for the "Hutton Prize" of Fergus Falls, Minnesota, in which he was the only junior to compete with a class of seniors, he was awarded the prize of twenty dollars in gold. He received the "Faculty Prize" of \$50 on the day of his graduation for having the highest average grade on all the branches covering the three-year course, in a class of 70 students.



But the highest and most cherished honor of all was his selection as valedictorian of the class by his fellow classmates. After his graduation, he rested and looked about for a location to practice his profession. He decided to locate in Coulterville, in the adjoining county of Randolph, where he hung his shingle to the breezes on the 25th day of March. He was not slow in getting started, and he gained friends socially and professionally, and before very long had a very busy practice which he maintained up to the time he moved to this city in the fall of 1894. He served one term

as mayor of Coulterville, being the only Democrat ever elected to that office in that strong Republican community.

Since coming to Pinckneyville Dr. Kane has been engaged in the practice of the specialty of Dental Surgery, in connection with his brothers Dr. John K. Kane, and Mr. Chas. D. Kane, who have offices in this city, St. Louis and Steeleville. Their business is prospering in all their offices and they are now negotiating with a view of establishing offices at other points.

On the 14th of September of 1887, Dr. Kane was married to Miss Mollie B. Eaton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rice H. Eaton of this city, and to this union has been born two sons, Kent Kintzing Kane and William Watson Kane, junior.

He is a member of the Southern Illinois Medical Association, the American Association of Railway Surgeons, an Odd Fellow, and a Modern Woodman.

Dr. Kane is the third son of the late Louis M. Kane, Sr., who was widely and favorably known throughout Southern Illinois. His mother, Mrs. Mary E. Kane, nee Mary E. Watson, is living and in good health, and resides in this city on the old homestead.

His grandfather was the illustrious Elias Kent Kane of Kaskaskia, Ill., who assisted in the organization of this state, was secretary of the Constitutional convention, and drafted the constitution, and was later the first United States Senator from Illinois serving from 1825 till his death, in 1835, aged 41 years. The table on which the constitution was drafted by his hand is now in the possession of Dr. Kane, a highly prized and invaluable relic, and keep-sake.

Roe & Wallace, Prescription Druggists.

AFTER your physician has been consulted and he has carefully studied your case he writes a prescription, his responsibility ceases there and yours begins in selecting your druggist. In order that your physician and YOU be justly treated it is necessary to choose your druggist as carefully as you choose your physician. Take your prescription to a store that makes a specialty of prescriptions—OURS IS SUCH A STORE. Our work is marked by care, thought and thoroughness; we feel our responsibility to YOU and your physician. Our prices are fair—even low. For these reasons we feel that both of us lose, but YOU most of all, if you do not send your prescription to US.

Wall-Paper.

The busy season in wall-paper will soon be here. We are ready for you and your neighbor, too. Wouldn't it be wise to come in before the rush, while all the stock is full and fresh and select what paper you will need for spring and have us put it away till

you are ready for it. OUR store always has a jam around the paper samples during the spring rush, so if you call now we can devote more time to YOU, tell you all about what styles are being most used, which colors will not fade and etc. Prices run from 8c and 9c up to 50c per double roll.

House Paints.

We are selling the kind that your grandfather used over 50 years ago—HEATH & MILLIGAN'S. They were first made before people had learned to make paint out of anything but pure white lead, zinc and linseed oil, and we guarantee that they are still made in the same old way; in fact we guarantee them in every particular. Drop in and ask for a color card showing the 24 colors we carry. We are sending out some very pointed advertising matter on paints this spring. If you are interested and fail to receive it ask for it, it costs you nothing and gives many good pointers. The "BEST" paint—HEATH & MILLIGAN'S costs \$1.50 per gallon.

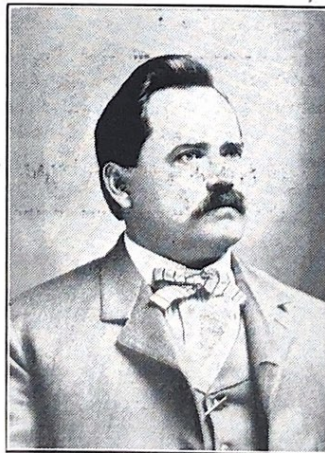
Mrs. Mattie McCants.

AVERY popular millinery store is that of Mrs. Mattie McCants. Mrs. McCants has been in the millinery business for several years and has built up a very nice trade. All the latest styles in vogue in the centers of fashion are always reflected in the goods on her shelves.

The store of Mrs. McCants is located on the west side of the square between the clothing store of W. W. Powell and the First National Bank. It is one of the handomest store buildings in town, and is completely stocked with all of the latest things in the millinery line.

Mrs. McCants would like to have every lady who is thinking of the best place to buy her spring hat to call and look over the stock. You are sure to find something in the large stock to suit you, and the prices are astonishingly low too. This fact accounts for the success she has enjoyed.

Thomas J. Skelley.



Up-to-date grocery and confectionery store. Money to loan on improved real estate.

You are cordially invited to call and inspect my stock of staple and fancy groceries. Prompt attention and courteous treatment.

THOS. J. SKELLEY.

A. J. McElvain & Son.

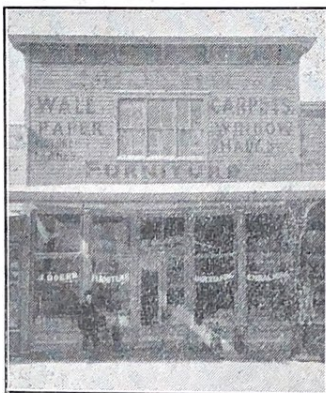
THE grocery and confectionery store of A. J. McElvain & Son is a model of its kind. They have one of the nicest and neatest stores in town.

This firm started in business a year ago the sixteenth of last month. The business has prospered from the very beginning, and now enjoys a very nice trade. A. J. McElvain, the senior member of the firm, is one of our most progressive citizens, and one of our most popular ones. He is a member of the Masonic and Knights of Pythias lodges.

Besides carrying a full stock of groceries and confectionery, the store has one of the best soda fountains in town and this fact makes the store especially attractive to the young people in the summer months. The stock of the store has been supplemented from time to time as its increasing popularity has demanded.

Jacob Doerr's Furniture Store.

JACOB DOERR has the credit of conducting as fine and as completely stocked furniture store as can be found anywhere. The accompanying illustration shows the front of Mr. Doerr's place of business, but it can convey no idea of the splendid array of fine goods that are displayed on the inside of the store. Mr. Doerr carries everything in the line of furniture, tables, chairs, couches, pictures, frames; beside the fine line of furniture Mr. Doerr also carries a complete assortment of carpets, linoleum, oil cloth, etc. He also carries a full line of undertaking goods of all kinds at all prices, and is always ready at any time, day or night to attend to wants in that line. He sells the patent burglar proof vault for caskets. He is a licensed establishment and at the same time winning many balmer, holding license No. 1032, and is thoroughly new ones by his strictly latter-day business methods.



Jacob Doerr Furniture Store.

Bischof's Livery Stable

THE livery stable of John T. Bischof is one of the long established enterprises of the city. Mr. Bischof started his business in a building adjoining the Eureka Manufacturing Company, but later leased the Williams stable, west of the Commercial hotel. Mr. Bischof thoroughly understands the business and furnishes the public with first class service. Mr. Bischof has long been recognized as one of our foremost business men. Before embarking in the livery business he was associated with J. J. Bischof in the saloon business for some time.

"Johnnie" as he is familiarly called by his hosts of friends is easily one of the most popular of our young citizens. Success has attended all of his business ventures, and it is safe to say that his previous success is sufficient guarantee that he will continue to prosper.

Young's Harness Shop.

JACOB YOUNG has made a success of the business of making good harness. He has a most complete and up-to-date shop, and turns out a great deal of harness. Only recently he found it necessary to put in a harness sewing machine in order to keep pace with the rapidly growing demand for his superior goods, and he aims to give satisfaction.

Mr. Young embarked in the business in 1883. He opened in the same building on the east side of the square that he is occupying today. From a modest beginning he has built up a flourishing business, and it is increasing steadily and surely as the merit of Jake's products becomes more widely known.

Mr. Young enjoys the reputation of being a progressive citizen and one who is always ready to do his part to further the interests of the city.

What Kugler Offers.

TO be sure of satisfaction trade with Solon Kugler. He sells a little of everything. Mr. Kugler started in business in his present location in 1897 and by giving the people courteous treatment as well as the best goods for as little money as anyone else he has built up an excellent trade. His customers are his best advertisers. His grocery department is complete and you will find the prices right. If you want a shirt waist or a shirt waist suit call on him. He has just received a fine assortment of gingham and percales which he is selling at 10 and 12 1-2 cents; these are fine strong and fadeless goods and of the nicest patterns. As for calico he can fix you with the standard fast colored goods. Mr. Kugler's untiring efforts to please his customers in all matters, either great or small, have brought their justly deserved success. Try him and be convinced.

Pope & Co's Du Quoin Department Store.



BYOND question one of the largest department stores to be found in the city of Du Quoin is that of Pope & Co. This store is one of the largest and best stocked mercantile establishments in Southern Illinois.

The foundation for the present immense business of the company was laid in 1854, when B. F. Pope, Sr., and B. F. Pope, Jr., started a general merchandise store. The store has catered to the wants of the people of Du Quoin and vicinity from that time down to the present, and throughout that long period its popularity has gradually increased. The present owners of the business are B. F. and P. V. Pope.

The store has eight large departments, every one of which is stocked to overflowing with the latest and best of everything that the market affords. It requires a small army of clerks, twenty-three, to wait on the store's multitude of customers. In this store you can buy almost everything—dry goods, shoes, ladies' furnishings, clothing, gents' furnishings, groceries, hardware, carpets, furniture, and a thousand and one miscellaneous articles. Each department of the mammoth store is a complete establishment in itself. Du Quoin

and Perry county can well be proud of such an establishment located in our midst.

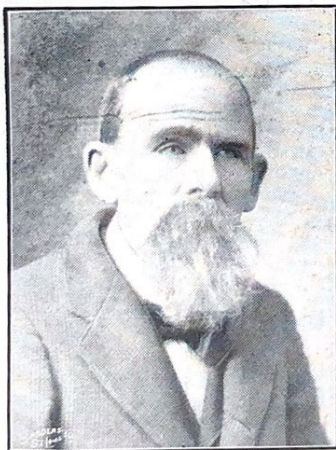
It is a well known fact that this store is one of the best produce markets in this county. They are always ready to buy anything that the farmer has for sale, that is saleable at all. It is equally well known that the prices paid at this store for produce are as high or higher than the prices paid by any other store in the county.

Whenever you happen to be in the city of Du Quoin it would pay you to drop in and have a look at this big store and get acquainted with its proprietors and employees. They are always anxious to welcome their friends to the big store.

No better evidence of the prosperity and excellent trade conditions which exist in this section of the state could be found than this beehive of mercantile energy. The business of Pope & Co. amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars annually and is constantly growing. The store has kept pace with the growing needs of the thriving city in which it is located, and every advancement of the city has been marked by a like advancement of the store.



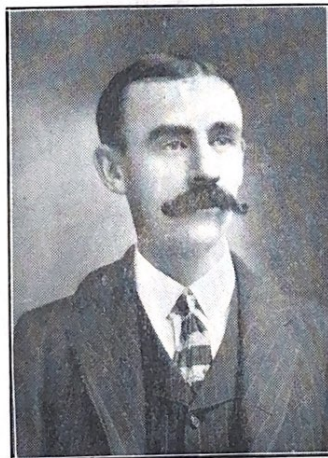
M. C. Edwards & Son.



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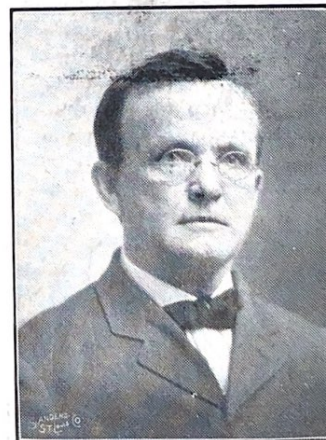
THE law firm of M. C. Edwards & Son is one of the best known legal firms in Southern Illinois. The members of the firm are M. C. Edwards and his son, W. O. Edwards. Both are attorneys of marked ability. In addition to their law business the Messrs. Ed-

wards do a large business in collecting and insurance. Their office is located in the new First National Bank building on the west side of the square. M. C. Edwards is a veteran of the Civil war, and his son, W. O. Edwards, graduated from McKendree college at Lebanon, Illinois.



W. O. Edwards.

Dr. H. P. Huntsinger.



IN 1879 Dr. Huntsinger came to Pinckneyville and began practicing medicine. He rapidly built up a successful business, and became one of our prominent citizens, being twice appointed postmaster. Dr. Huntsinger served throughout the war in the 26th Ill. infantry. He is a member of J. T. Cowens Post, G. A. R., and the Masons.

Pinckneyville.

Pinckneyville is the county seat of Perry county. It is situated sixty-one miles southwest of St. Louis, in the center of the great Egyptian coal fields. Besides the county's vast riches in coal, this is a good farming country, and our farmers are as prosperous as those of any community.

The city officers of Pinckneyville at present are: Wm. H. Smith, mayor; P. J. C. Hamm, city clerk; R. V. Fallon, city treasurer; John S. Rodman, marshal; J. B. Davis, police magistrate; Milo Holtrey, street commissioner; Joe Folden, cemetery superintendent; T. M. Davis, superintendent water works; John C. Niesing, W. A. Nesbitt, Wm. Schoch, Bowen Watts, Wm. Wagner, aldermen.

The officers of Perry county are: Porter Baird, of Pinckneyville, Louis Croessmann, of Du Quoin, and Capt. H. W. Adams, of Tamaroa, members of the board of county commissioners; H. R. Winthrop, sheriff; Dempsey Winthrop and Ezra Woods, deputy sheriffs; Geo. Robb, treasurer; Albert Driemeyer, circuit clerk; Robert Plumlee, deputy circuit clerk; J. G. Taffee, county clerk; John Moore, deputy county clerk; R. W. S. Wheatley, county judge; Benjamin W. Pope, Du Quoin, states attorney; W. R. Kimzey, Tamaroa, county superintendent of schools; Joshua Lemmon, coroner; Charles Roe, abstractor; P. J. C. Hamm, Justice of the Peace. The following are the precinct constables of the county: T. B. Malone, Pinckneyville; Henry C. Wildy, Pinckneyville; James P. West, Pinckneyville; Arthur DeRoucher, Pinckneyville; James McNulty, Swanwick; David McGill, Swanwick; Vernon Hamilton, Cutler; A. T. McClure, Cutler; Wm. Lawson, Willisville; C. E. Halbauer, Willisville; Philip Martin, Paradise; John Boffle, Paradise; A. T. Holden, Tamaroa; J. L. Crain, Tamaroa; C. E. Morgan, Du Quoin; John D. Pugh, Du Quoin; James Lockhart, Du Quoin;

George Smith, Du Quoin; A. J. McKinstry, Beaucoup; Wm. Opp, Beaucoup.

The city has a population of a little over three thousand and is constantly growing. The city offers a first-class opportunity for real estate investments, especially in dwelling houses. The demand for dwellings has far exceeded the supply for the past several months.

Pinckneyville is noted all over southern Illinois for the big annual fair which is held every year, in October. Matthew Rule was re-elected president of the Fair Association at the last election and R. J. Rushing was elected secretary. These two gentlemen have long experience in their respective positions and have done much toward spreading the fame of the Pinckneyville fair.

Pinckneyville is situated at the junction of the Illinois Central and the Wabash, Chester & Western railroads. It is also the junction point for two branches of the Illinois Central system. One line runs to Cairo and the south, and the other makes connection at Du Quoin with the main line of the Illinois Central, and extends from thence to Benton and Eldorado. The net work of railroads makes Pinckneyville an ideal place for the location of any kind of manufacturing industry which requires a perfect system of transportation facilities.

Our Foreman.

Joseph A. Brey, the foreman of the DEMOCRAT office, whose picture appears in this page, has been an employe of the office for the past five years. Mr. Brey is one of the most faithful and conscientious workmen that ever picked up a "stick" in a print shop. Mr. Brey is a permanent fixture at the office and would be pleased to have all his friends drop in and see him. Any business for the paper intrusted to his care will receive the same careful attention

as if it was given to the proprietor.



Joseph A. Brey.

Wm. Schoch.

One of our most prominent business men is William Schoch. Mr. Schoch has been in the blacksmith business in this city since 1881. He has made a success of his business, and has accumulated a competence by hard work and persistence. For twenty years he has been the agent of the Sparta Plow Works, and has gained the distinction of being known as the best agent the company has in Southern Illinois. Mr. Schoch is a member of the city council, and is one of the most active workers in behalf of the interests of the people ever elected to that office.

W. L. McCandless, M.D.

W. L. McCANDLESS, physician and surgeon. Office on the west side of court house square. Residence on Randolph street.

Miss Anna Brostmeyer.

THE millinery store of Miss Anna Brostmeyer is one of the most complete and best stocked establishments of the kind in town. All the latest styles in millinery are always to be found at her store. Ladies, before you make your spring purchases give her a call.

Walter R. Kimzey, County Superintendent.

WALTER ROOTS KIMZEY, the county superintendent of schools of Perry county was born in Perry county, and has been a resident of the county during his whole life.

Mr. Kimzey is serving his third term as superintendent of schools, and is probably the most popular man that has ever held that office in this county.

county superintendent such a marked success, and so acceptable to the people of the county.

Mr. Kimzey was a candidate in 1898 for the nomination as state superintendent of public instruction, and only missed the nomination by a very narrow margin. Mr. Kimzey's political friends and the people of Perry county generally are very



At the last election he had no opposition for the office. Both parties heartily endorsed his candidacy. Few other politicians can boast of such a record.

Mr. Kimzey is a graduate of the Southern Illinois Normal University, at Carbondale. After graduating he taught school at various places in the county and gradually acquired that experience in educational work which has made his work as

proud of the record which he made in that campaign.

Mr. Kimzey stands high in the fraternal circles of the county and state. He is the Chancellor of the state court of the Court of Honor, and is a member of the auditing committee of the Supreme Court of the same lodge. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen, Masonic and Elks lodges. Mr. Kimzey is in his office in the court house every Saturday.

The Commercial Hotel.

GOOD hotels are necessary to any town. A good example of that class of hostelry is the Commercial. Under the management of Landlord J. C. Thetford this house has become one of the most popular hotels in this section of the state. Its popularity is deserved, too, for Mr. Thetford has made the Commercial a first class house of entertainment for the traveling public.

The Commercial has long been a landmark of Pinckneyville. It has at different times been under the management of various owners, and has always enjoyed the reputation of giving its guests the very best possible service. Mr. Thetford took charge of the Commercial in March, 1903. For many years he was a conductor on the Illinois Central railroad and was one of the most popular men in the service of the company. He is known to nearly everybody in all the towns along the line of that road between East St. Louis and Paducah. This gave him a wide acquaintance among the Egyptian traveling men, and as a consequence the hotel under his management has become very popular among the knights of the grip.

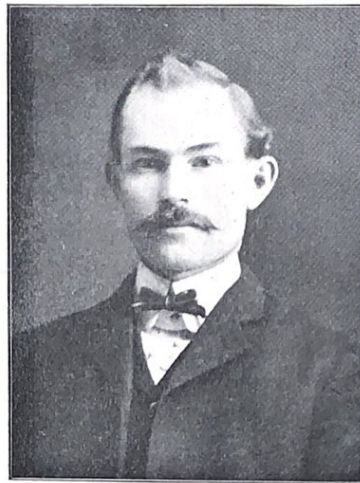
Mr. Thetford is a popular member of the local lodge of the order of Knights of Pythias, and is a feature of all the festive gatherings of the lodge. He is also a member of the Pinckneyville Fire Department.

The hotel is centrally located on the corner at the intersection of Walnut and Water streets, and is in close proximity to the major part of the business houses of the city. It is just half a block west of the court house square, and is the headquarters for Jones' bus line to and from the depots.

The traveling public is invited to make the Commercial their headquarters when stopping in this city, and they will find the best of accommodations.

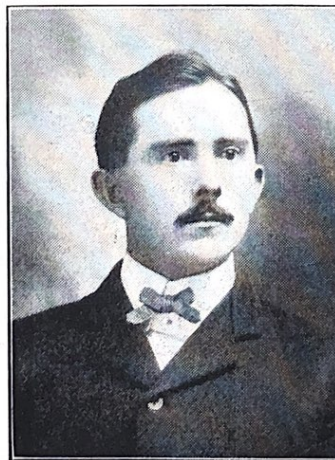
Pugh & Dry, Attorneys.

THIS firm of young attorneys purchased the law business of C. R. Hawkins in June of last

*M. W. Pugh.*

year. Both are native Perry county boys and are graduates of the leading law schools. They are rapidly building up a lucrative practice.

In addition to their law business they do conveyancing, negotiate loans and deal in real estate and insurance. Any business intrusted

*A. R. Dry.*

to their care will be faithfully and ably transacted. Their office is on the second floor of the east wing of the court house.

Gustave Wangelin.

GUSTAVE Wangelin has been in business in Pinckneyville since 1874. On that date he established the grocery store known as the "Blue Store" that occupied the site of Brostmeyer's present store. Afterwards he was clerk in Bohm's mill, which stood on the site now occupied by the cooper.

On April 15, 1881, he established his present lumber business in partnership with Julius Liese.

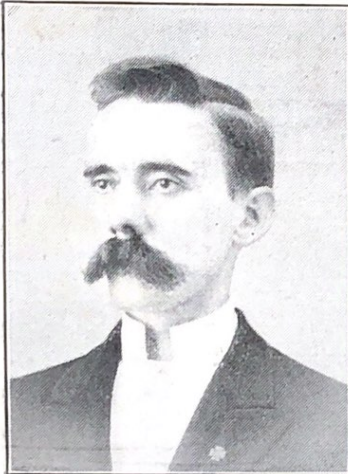
Afterwards he purchased Liese's interest and became the sole proprietor. Mr. Wangelin is one of our most highly respected citizens. He is a prominent member of the local Grand Army post and takes an active part in all of its affairs.

**Egyptian Realty Co.**

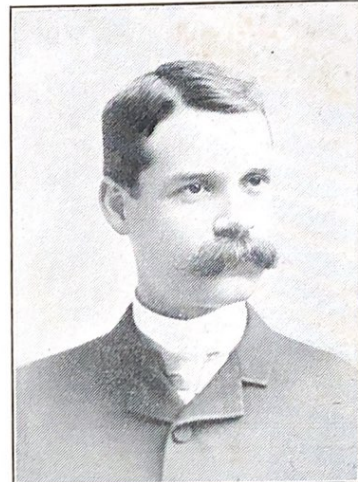
THE Egyptian Realty Company is the latest addition to the Pinckneyville business world. This firm was organized a month ago for the transaction of a general real estate business. The company is prepared to make all kinds of real estate deals in a satisfactory manner to all parties. Allen Ozburn, Pugh & Dry and O. E. Meyer compose the company. If you have farms or residence property for sale or want to buy a farm, residence or tract of coal land don't fail to get their terms. Their charges are very moderate, and all business entrusted to their care will be treated as strictly confidential. Write today for their list of desirable pieces of property for sale. They have some bargains in farm property which will interest anyone in search of such property. The Egyptian Realty Company fills a place in the business world of Pinckneyville which has been practically vacant.

Pastors of Our City Churches.

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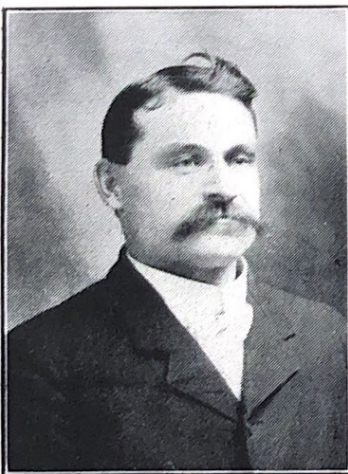
*Rev. John H. Jones,
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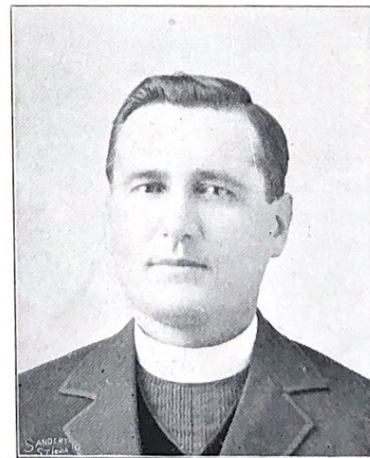
*Rev. Frank B. Murch,
United Presbyterian Church.*



*Rev. D. Buchmueller,
St. Paul's German Evangelical.*



*Rev. J. B. Webb,
Pastor First Baptist Church.*



*Rev. Father Joseph Schneider,
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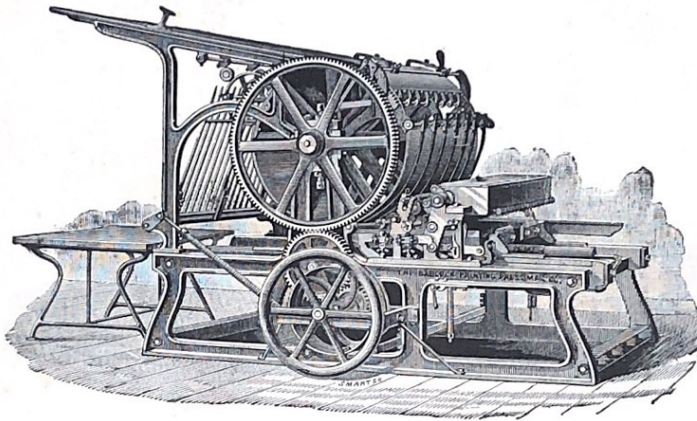
A Sample of Our Work.



THE Anniversary Edition of the DEMOCRAT is in the hands of its readers for comment and criticism. Nearly three months of careful and painstaking labor has been required to complete the job, but we feel that all who see the Anniversary Edition will agree that it is the finest piece of printing ever produced by a Pinckneyville printing office. No other so-called "trade editions" ever issued can compare with it in design, workmanship or the quality of the stock and materials used. From the moment that the Anniversary Edition was first projected until its completion the dominating idea

not care for twenty-five year records, but they do demand that the printer possess the knowledge necessary to produce up-to-date work.

The credit for the excellent presswork on this edition is due to Mr. T. H. Bevier. Mr. Bevier learned the art of half-tone printing in some of the largest printing establishments in the country, and by the rarest piece of good fortune the DEMOCRAT was enabled to secure his services in getting out this book. Mr. Bevier had many adverse circumstances and conditions to contend with in doing the work, and in view of that fact the excellent results which he ob-



Our Babcock Press On Which This Book Was Printed.

has been to produce a work which the people would be proud to exhibit as the product of the home office.

The printing of the letter-press and half-tone illustrations in this book is a first-class proof of the mechanical capabilities of the office. The same care and skill that was used in printing this book is used in printing your catalogs, booklets, office stationery, etc. The DEMOCRAT force does not pride itself on knowing how printing was done twenty-five years ago, but it does take a pride in knowing how printing is done today. Intelligent users of printing do

tained are especially remarkable. The weather and atmospheric conditions during the whole time that the work on the book has been in progress have been extremely unfavorable to the accomplishment of the best results in printing. The wet, cold and murky weather played havoc with the calculations of the pressman. The rollers were soggy and lost their "tacky" qualities, the ink was cold and sticky, and a hundred other little things went wrong. But skill and perseverance surmounted every obstacle, and produced a work that speaks for itself.



W. G. Wilson, Undertaker.



W. G. WILSON is prepared to fill all orders on short notice for all kinds of furniture repairing, and for undertaking and embalming. Mr. Wilson has been in the undertaking and embalming business about a year and a half. Thirty years ago he followed the business of making coffins, in the days before the

coffin factories were as numerous as they are now. Mr. Wilson carries a complete stock of coffins, caskets, trimmings, etc.

His business in furniture repairing is a large one, and anyone having work in his line will do well to call on him.

